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PAL, NMI officials aim for lasting partnership

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CNMI Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, right, accepts a Philippine Airlines scale model jetplane from PAL Express' Bonifacio Sam in yesterday's arrival ceremony of the Philippine carrier's inaugural Manila-Saipan flight at the Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport.

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Except for a one-hour delay in arrival and overbooking, Philippine Airlines' inaugural flight went smoothly yesterday. PAL's inaugural direct flight from Manila touched down at around 4:45am early Thursday morning with its maiden trip back to the Philippine capital leaving less than an hour later.

It's PAL's first time to fly direct to Manila from Saipan and vice-versa after close to 20 years. PAL used to fly to Saipan but stopped its operations.

PAL's new Airbus A320 can seat 156 passengers not including the flight crew—pilots and

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LIVE-FIRE PROJECTS IN CNMI

Potochney confident 902 report will inform Obama of concerns

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A top Department of Defense official taking part in "Section 902" talks with the local government says he is "confident" that the consultation will reflect the CNMI's concerns with proposed Defense live-fire and bombing projects and inform U.S. President Barrack Obama, in a final report targeted out by the end of the year.

Pete Potochney, deputy assistant secretary of Defense for Basing, who is also Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Energy, Installations and Environment, and local government officials toured the island of Tinian yesterday, where a range of live-fire complex-

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Business, labor groups join call for improved status for longtime CWs

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» Business groups ask BSI, Honest Profit to pull out construction workers
» 'Construction workers are displacing longtime workers'

Leading business and labor groups have joined the call for improved status for longtime foreign workers in the Commonwealth, revising an earlier joint resolution this month and aligning with Gov. Ralph DLG Torres' push for improved status through ongoing "Section 902" talks with the White House.

The Hotel Association of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Saipan Chamber of Commerce, and the Northern Mariana Islands Chapter of the Society

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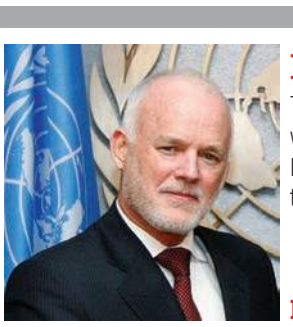

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Big gathering set over CW crisis

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Long-term foreign workers, mostly with U.S. citizen children, are organizing another big gathering this Saturday at the Kilili pavilion in Susupe to express their gratitude to CNMI leaders who expressed support for their improved immigration status in the wake of the CW crisis.

» **Long-term foreign workers to express gratitude to CNMI leaders supporting their improved immigration status**

» **To ask USCIS, federal govt for immediate action on CW problem**

The gathering will be spearheaded by a group called "We Dream Us One," which was formed two weeks ago by Mami Ikeda, Itos Torres Feliciano, Glen Hunter, Amor Q. Zapanta, Won Jun Lee, Anna Chan, and Elitza Stoilova.

Feliciano, former president of Human Dignity Movement, said he expects Filipinos, Koreans, Chinese, Bangladeshis, U.S. citizens, and other nationalities who are either affected by CW crisis or supporting improved immigration status for long-time foreign workers to attend the event set to start at 4pm.

Feliciano said affected employers and representatives from businesses have been invited to speak at the gathering.

Feliciano said if the federal government will not immediately act on the CW crisis, in two to three months, many businesses in the CNMI may shut down and the economy will surely be impacted as a domino effect.

He said they will express their gratitude to CNMI authorities for their support and that they are hoping to see the situation move forward as early as possible considering that hundreds of foreign workers had already left the

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island due to CW crisis.

"We expect to have a larger crowd this time, and are encouraging more businesses and the local community to support us," Feliciano said.

Last Sunday, "We Dream Us One" led a crowd of Filipino, Chinese, Korean, and other community groups at the Kilili Beach, waving signs on the roadside to the honking of cars and gathering under the pavilions where they aired their concerns and showed solidarity with one another.

Many affected workers are seeking a permanent or improved status for their longtime and legal contributions to the CNMI. Some waived signs asking for "humanitarian parole" for those workers who will have to leave because of rejected permits under a CW cap that has been reached.

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) last week stated that he will be adding a call for improved status for longtime foreign workers in the CNMI, forming a unified front with Gov. Ralph DLG. Torres after Torres shifted toward the position during recent 902 talks in Washington, D.C.

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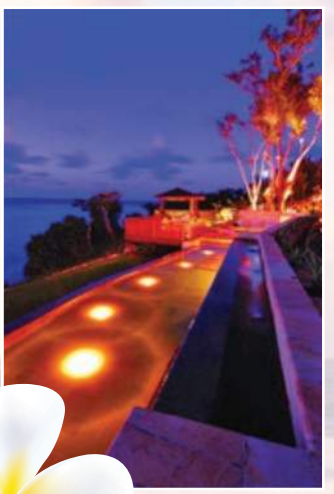

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Torres, Kia'aina unveil revamped Kalabera Cave site

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Gov. Ralph DLG Torres and U.S. Department of the Interior's Assistant Secretary for Insular Areas Eshter Kia'aina joined other local and federal officials in a ribbon cutting ceremony Wednesday to unveil the refurbished grounds around the Kalabera Cave.

Funded by the DOI's Office of Insular Affairs and undertaken by the governor's Capital Improvement Office, the project had been in works since 2007 and cleared vegetation around the ancient site, providing landscaping and accessible walkways and ramps leading up to the mouth of the cave.

The project is part of the CNMI's Destination Enhancement and Economic Development and Torres touted the tourism potential of the site after cutting the ribbons

"Kalabera in our language is skeletal," he told reporters after the ceremony. "The cave, when you enter, there are a lot imprints, petroglyphs all over the wall. This is a sacred ground but we are opening it up for tourism. And the project that we spent here—about $1 million or so—it brings our history and our culture and showcases that to our tourism.

"So it gives that extra opportunity for that tourism to come here and enjoy the island," he said.

Torres added he definitely hopes the Marianas Visitors Authority brings more tourist entities to visit the site and acknowledge the importance of the CNMI's culture. He also notes that the facility is American with Disabilities Act-approved, "so the folks who are having difficulties traveling or going from place to place, it's an excellent place for them to go in."

For those unfamiliar with the site, as early two years ago, overgrown vegetation used to cover the grounds around the cave, with only a grassy and narrow pathway leading to the mouth of the cave.

"You would have missed an exciting adventure," said Elizabeth Balajadia, the project manager, in her ceremony remarks.

"Today, we see the site developed into a unique attraction that will serve as a tourist destination and for the enjoyment of our local people, developed with hardscape and landscape, yet preserving the archaeological, cultural, and geological features," she said.

Kia'aina, after visiting the facility, expressed her excitement with the project, calling it money well spent.

"Look at the landscape," she told *Saipan Tribune*. "Before you get into the prize [the cave], this is beautiful. And it isn't even complete! You know I come from a landscaping family. So once you have everything in, it'll look even more beautiful but it is beautiful at is."

"We are very pleased but I think it's going to be destination of pride for the people of the Northern Marianas," she went on to say, "culture wise and just historically and just beautification wise. Just look at this. This is one of the more beautiful sites in the Pacific!"

A longer version of this story is available at www. saipantribune.com

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stewardesses.

Exciting partnership

PAL Express president Bonifacio Sam, who came in the maiden Manila-Saipan flight together with CNMI Lt. Gov. Victor B. Hocog and Marianas Visitors Authority managing director Chris Concepcion, said the Philippines' flag carrier finally landing again at the Franciso C. Ada/Saipan International Airport is "a proud moment."

He added that the maiden flight is the culmination of the collective efforts of PAL, industry stalwarts, stakeholders, the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Department of Tourism, the CNMI government, the Commonwealth Ports Authority, and the MVA.

"The new service is a much-awaited link between the Philippines and Saipan, which is home to more than 20,000 Filipinos. The direct flight is not only for Filipinos but also for CNMI residents and leisure travelers who can now go in and out with ease non stop on board a modern Airbus with efficient class and economy while experiencing our heartfelt Filipino service," Sam said.

Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, who was among the local officials who welcomed PAL executives, said PAL's new hub in the Western Pacific is not only an opportunity for another tourism market but also for the CNMI's medical referral program.

"We have a lot of guest workers here from the Philippines. It is also a great opportunity to fly direct to the Philippines especially for our patients under the medical referral program. There would no longer be waiting in transit in other hubs," said Torres.

"We're going to make sure PAL succeed and were going to work with all entities involved. This is a good partnership."

Easy for Pinoys

Filipino workers who are going back to Manila for vacation will now fly direct unlike before, where they would either transit in Guam, Incheon in Korea, or in Narita in Japan.

"Now it would be more convenient for us to go back to Manila. Before we need to stop a few hours in Guam. We're all excited to see how it feels to fly via PAL," said Toothworks dental therapist Caroline Marzan, who will go on a three-week vacation with her two daughters.

Realty Management Services employee Alberto Dans also welcomed PAL's return to Saipan. "It is much better

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of Human Resource Management released the revised resolution, signed by the groups' leaders yesterday.

The joint resolution addresses a slew of federal agencies and departments and the CNMI government and now asks that "long-term guest workers in the CNMI be provided with a path to lawful permanent residency as described and recommended by the CNMI government in their 902 position paper regarding Labor and Immigration in the CNMI."

Torres' position paper touts how a number of these foreign workers have worked in the CNMI from a range of five to 30 years, contributing legally to economic growth, and asks that they be granted some kind of permanent status. It argues that permanent status will alleviate the adverse effects Congress promised it would minimize mandating the federal takeover of local immigration and "sunseting" the contract worker program, which provides a majority of the economic workforce in the CNMI and numbers at around 10,000 foreign workers and expires in 2019.

'Pull out construction worker visas'

As this developed, the same groups on Wednesday asked the Saipan casino and another major resort developer on island to yank out or cancel contract worker visas for construction workers "not yet on the ground," in order to alleviate the strain these thousands of worker slots have on a contract worker program that has been capped out this fiscal year.

The groups believe this will immediately alleviate the strain of the humanitarian crisis and impending economic collapse brought about by the departure of hundreds of foreign workers who've been forced to leave the Commonwealth by the end of the fiscal year, because of the breached cap.

In a "unified position" statement Wednesday, the groups said they've been meeting to discuss possible resolution to the issue. "Our island is losing trained workers that have contributed for years to our businesses," they said.

The groups say they greatly appreciated the opportunity to meet with Best Sunshine International, Ltd., the Saipan casino, and Honest Profit International, Ltd. to discuss the impact of construction visas that have filled the CW1 quota and the number of visas that are behind this year's quota, which is potentially estimated at around 5,000 by the CNMI Department of Labor.

The groups discussed the impact that the "near 7,000 CW-1 applications for construction category visas will have in replacing existing CW visa holders."

"We expressed the humanitarian impact of this issue," the groups said. "It displaces residents that have been in the CNMI for five to 30 years, it uproots families, possibly splitting families as workers make decisions to leave U.S.-born children behind to continue their education, or deciding to bring them to a country they have never known."

The groups noted the overall impact to the economy that 7,000 construction visas will have in the current CW quota. "That number represents 54 percent of the total visas allowed under the current quota," the groups said.

"CW-1 construction visas are displacing people that have been moving this economy forward over the past three decades. In this current climate of growth, our economy will collapse."

The groups said this impact was effectively expressed to the company representatives, and they appreciate their interest in working with their organizations and potentially with the CNMI government. "We have asked, specifically, that they pull and cancel all of their construction visas for construction workers not on the ground today and convert all of them and existing CW1 construction workers to H2, and this will immediately alleviate the quota for FY2016. We see no reason why USCIS wouldn't lift their order because in today's economy, we would not exhaust the entire quota if construction visas are pulled out."

The CNMI sees no cap for the H-2 visa class and business groups and Gov. Ralph DLG Torres have repeatedly stressed the need to transition construction workers to this class, apparently to the deaf ears of developers.

"We also discussed with the developers the potential of overdevelopment in the CNMI will continue to impact our quota system," the groups went on to say. "Thus there needs to be some discussion at the developer level and at the government level about controlled growth and finding a number of rooms needed in the Commonwealth that can be supported by the available workforce. We need to determine the capability that we have to support the development, and we are going to work together in that process in the future."

Best Sunshine, which plans to complete its casino resort in Garapan by 2017 to usher the first phase of its multibillion-dollar casino industry on Saipan—had not responded to a request for comment as of press time.

The casino was asked if they would indeed pull out its construction worker visas, if this was a business decision favorable to the casino's goals, and how many construction workers were not "yet on the ground" but counted toward the FY 2016 cap.

The administration of Gov. Ralph DLG Torres, which has pushed for immediate administrative fixes with federal immigration officials from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services on the crisis, was also asked if they backed the request made by these groups, but no response was available as of press time.

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es are proposed, visiting proposed military sites, including the local airport.

Speaking to reporters at the local airport yesterday afternoon, Potochney was asked about Gov. Ralph DLG Torres' position that the live-fire fire project on Tinian would have to be reworked to be compatible with agreements made between the U.S. and CNMI in the CNMI Covenant and relevant technical agreements.

Potochney said the 902 process was important for "all those reasons" "It is a function of the Covenant but it also helps us inform, be informed of the concerns of the CNMI's people. And that's huge. And having today's site visit and the whole consultation process allows to us to understand in the best way possible the CNMI's concerns."

Torres, for his part, said they got federal officials "to actually see Tinian" and "tour what is being proposed with" their proposed "CNMI Joint Military Training," or CJMT, program, which includes a bombing range on Pagan.

The governor believes they "got things across" on the trip. "We had lunch together, we had dinner together, a lot of the communication we are doing, echoing concerns, strengthening the relationship…of this consultation," he said.

"We are happy to discuss and address the 'Tinian-only' for the divert airfield," he also said, before leaving the airport yesterday.

"We had a very productive day with both the governor and as well as Mayor [Joey Patrick] San Nicolas," said Department of Interior Assistant Secretary for Insular Areas Esther Kia'aina. "And I think as we are looking at the long term for the report to the President, it will be very informative the on the ground meetings both on Tinian as well as Saipan as you know on the multitude of issues we are dealing with." Kia'ana is Obama's special representative on the 902 team.

'Bilateral fix'

On the pressing issue of a breached contract worker cap, which is forcing hundreds of workers, not including their families, to leave the CNMI this fiscal year, Kia'aina indicated any immediate fixes would have to be addressed "bilaterally" between Torres and the Department of Homeland Security.

The contract worker crisis was addressed in the first round of 902 talks and the talks are not seen as the avenue for immediate resolutions but for long-term ones, like the extension of the program past its 2019 expiration date.

Pressed on how workers and families were dying to hear if there are any progress on these any immigration fixes and asked to comment on any progress, Kia'aina said, "Not in my 902 capacity. That would be a better issue for the governor because he is the individual engaged in ongoing discussions with the Department of Homeland Security."

Among other immediate administrative fixes, Torres and his team have asked immigration officials to revise their cap for this fiscal year, from 12,999 to 13,998.

They'd do this by revising their reduction of the cap this fiscal year, originally at 1,000 to just 1, in order to create applicant space and provide immediate relief to the cap.

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since you will no longer stay too long in an airport. Flying direct also lessens travel time."

Josie Cunanan, who has been working on Saipan for 24 years, said she is proud to support the Philippines' flag carrier. "Let's support our own. I'm personally happy that we'll no longer have to wait that long with the direct flights especially if there are emergency cases. No more connecting flights."

Ella Alexander, who was the last passenger to check in, also lauded PAL's decision to resume its direct flights. "It will save you a lot of time and you also maximize your time. It is a better alternative and service especially for Filipinos."

"It is also a welcome news for the CNMI. I really expected a long line since there are a lot of passengers but it's worth the wait."

For recording artist Aicelle Santos, who arrived in the Manila-Saipan flight, the new destination gives Filipino tourists another place to visit to escape the daily grind of work and stress especially for nature lovers.

"I'm really excited to finally visit Saipan. I just want to swim and see what the island has to offer," said Santos, who arrived with her manager Judith Bueno. She will also be singing in tonight's gala dinner at the Hibiscus Hall of the Fiesta Resort & Spa Saipan.

Additional hub

PAL marketing activations manager Pinky Custodio said Saipan is the 43rd destination under the PAL Express brand in a network that spans Asia, Europe, the Middle East, Oceania, and the United States.

"What we usually do is we go all over the world, I have my own team of seven people, where we explore and open inaugural flights in other cities. The Saipan-Manila direct flights is one of our newest ones," said Custodio, who attended yesterday's ceremony with marketing activations officer Kookai Silverio.

"We also introduced [a package] where you can go to two countries in one trip. Like a few weeks ago, we launched a Manila-Taipei-Osaka flight. People who will go to Taipei will also get the chance to visit Osaka. We also have a Manila-Cairns, Australia-Oakland flight."

She said that the flights received a good reception from passengers. "It is hitting two birds, in one stone or visiting two countries in one trip," she added with a smile.

Federal agents arrest US govt witness who failed to appear at Tydingco couple's trial

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U.S. Marshal agents arrested on Wednesday a U.S. government's witness who allegedly failed to appear at the recent trial in federal court of couple Francisco Muna Tydingco and Lili Zhang Tydingco.

The federal agents served to Rebecca Lynn Castro in San Vicente a bench warrant issued by U.S. District Court for the NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona last June 9.

Castro has been served with a subpoena to appear at the trial of the Tydingcos but allegedly has failed to do so. The trial began last June 7 and completed last June 13.

At the initial appearance hearing yesterday afternoon, Castro appeared with court-appointed counsel Sean Frink.

Manglona granted Frink's motion to release Castro and ordered her to appear in court on June 29 at 9am to show cause why she should not be held in contempt.

Frink asked the release of Castro, citing that his client has been detained since Wednesday at 5pm and that it is not clear whether she is facing criminal or civil contempt.

Assistant U.S. attorney Russell H. Lorfing, counsel for the U.S. government, said he is contemplating of filing a formal complaint against Castro.

Lorfing said Castro appeared during the trial, but left and did not come back. He said Castro was aware that her testimony was required during the trial.

Manglona said the U.S. government stated that Castro intentionally eluded to avoid taking the witness stand.

Manglona said Castro, however, stated she had no ride or transportation, but that this should not make an excuse for her not appearing in court.

The judge ordered the U.S. government to submit briefs, stating the facts and laws in finding Castro in contempt. Frink was ordered to reply to the briefs.

According to Lorfing in court papers, Castro is expected to testify that the Tydingco couple knew Rongxue Liu, a Chinese national, who was in the country illegally.

Lorfing said if permitted to testify about the subject, Castro will testify that she was offered money by the Tydingcos to marry Liu.

After the U.S. government rested its case during the trial, Lorfing moved to dismiss one count of harboring an illegal alien with respect to Liu. The judge granted the motion.

As a result, the jury decided only one remaining count of harboring an illegal alien pertaining to Liu's purported minor niece, who is also a Chinese national.

Last June 13, the jury rendered a unanimous verdict finding the Tydingco couple guilty of harboring an illegal alien.

Federal court indicts man already facing charges for having sex with minor girl

A man who was arrested in December 2015 for allegedly having sex with his 14-year-old girlfriend he just met through Facebook, was apprehended by federal agents on Wednesday after he was indicted in District Court.

The indictment charged Glenn Ruben Jr., also known as Glenn Mafnas, with one count each of transfer of obscene material to a minor, receipt of child pornography, and enticement of a minor.

The indictment also seeks forfeiture of any property that the 22-year-old Ruben allegedly used in facilitating the offenses.

Ruben was taken to U.S. District Court for the NMI yesterday afternoon for his initial court appearance. Attorney Michael Dotts appeared as court-appointed counsel for Ruben. Assistant U.S. attorney James Benedetto appeared for the U.S. government.

Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona set the detention hearing for June 23.

According to the indictment, between Dec. 13 and 26, 2015, Ruben used the Internet to knowingly transfer obscene material to a 14-year-old child.

Ruben allegedly used the Internet to persuade and entice the child to engage in sexual activity.

It's not clear whether the 14-year-old child is the same person that the defendant allegedly met through Facebook and had sex on a table in the hallway area of the former fire station in San Roque last December.

Police arrested Ruben in that San Roque incident and was charged in the Superior Court with sexual abuse of a minor in the second degree. ***(Ferdie de la Torre)***

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She rushed back to the store to claim her $5000 win. She was bursting with excitement but did not want to draw attention to herself and quietly whispered to the cashier, "is your boss here?" After the ticket was verified she was presented with her full $5000 cash prize by the NMSA the same day. The $5000 prize is tax paid so she gets to keep the whole $5000 herself! The lucky lady wishes to keep her identity confidential but said "now I'm $5000 richer, I will clear my debts, go on a major shopping spree and help out the kids".

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Mondala asks Govendo to correct or reduce 1-year prison sentence

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Former Office of Aging director Rose DLG. Mondala has moved Superior Court Associate Judge Kenneth L. Govendo to correct or reduce the one-year prison term slapped against her by then-associate judge David A. Wiseman for her conviction of corruption charges.

The 71-year-old Mondala, through counsel Loren Sutton, asked Govendo instead to sentence him to home confinement.

Sutton cited the sentences imposed on former governor Benigno R. Fitial and former attorney general Edward T. Buckingham who were "spared" a jail sentence for health reasons.

Sutton said to achieve the sentencing goal of consistency, Mondala should receive the same consideration given to Fitial and Buckingham.

Sutton said in sentencing Fitial and Buckingham, the court based a lenient sentence on poor health factors and where the charges of conviction were of a more serious nature and involved persons in high positions who committed acts of corruption exceeding the nature of the acts of Mondala.

Mondala filed the motion to correct or reduce sentence after Govendo last week suggested to her counsel, Sutton, to file a motion for reconsideration of the sentence as he placed her motion to stay execution of the prison term pending her appeal to the CNMI Supreme Court.

Fitial pleaded guilty in May 2015 to misconduct in public office and conspiracy to commit theft of service as part of a plea agreement with the government.

In June 2015, Wiseman imposed a one-year prison sentence on the then-69-year-old Fitial.

Fitial was supposed to start serving his prison term on July 6, 2015, but then-governor Eloy S. Inos commuted the prison term a day before.

On Feb. 19, 2014, Govendo found then-65-year-old Buckingham guilty of all public corruption charges except one and sentenced him to 3 1/2 years in prison, all suspended.

In imposing a no prison-term sentence, Govendo said he believes that jail sentence is not appropriate considering that, among other things, Buckingham is not a typical criminal that stole or embezzled huge amount of money, or committed sexual abuse or violent crimes.

In Mondala's motion to correct or reduce sentence, Sutton said his client's guilty plea to one count of felony forgery with a loss of $68, and one count of misdemeanor use of public supplies, time and personnel for campaign activities, was entered pursuant to a plea bargain where the Office of the Attorney General recommended six months of home confinement in lieu of jail time.

Sutton said this recommendation in the plea offer was justified due to Mondala's serious medical condition.

On reduction issue, Sutton said Mondala is seriously ill with a variety of life-threatening medical conditions, which Govendo is aware from Dr. Vicente Aldan's comprehensive letter.

Sutton said his concern, as well as of Govendo's, is that a sentence to Department of Corrections could well endanger Mondala's health and that a missed of delayed insulin shot could even kill her.

Sutton said DOC's protocols include two DOC employees monitoring inmates on the women's side 24/7 and a nurse on duty Monday through Friday, but no medical personnel present on weekends and probably not on holidays.

Sutton said Mondala's life will literally be in the hands of DOC workers.

He said additional expense of time and staff to transport Mondala regularly to her doctor for needed outpatient care, to provide her with a special diet, to closely monitor her medicines and physical condition.

Sutton said he assumes that Wiseman's order to the Probation officer to compute restitution for the remaining dismissed counts was a precursor to an order, once done, that Mondala pay the resulting amount.

Citing a previous U.S. Supreme Court ruling, Sutton said an order to pay restitution for dismissed counts after a plea is improper in the absence of a waiver contained in the plea agreement.

Sutton said there was no such waiver in Mondala's plea agreement and even if there was, Wiseman was clear that he would accept the plea but without the AG's sentencing recommendation which included a recommendation for restitution.

Sutton said since no waiver in the plea agreement, it would be improper for a judge to order restitution for dismissed counts.

Last May 31, Govendo granted for a week a stay of the execution of the one-year prison term. Mondala was supposed to start serving the prison term last June 1.

At the June 7, 2016 continuation of the hearing on the motion to stay, Govendo placed the motion under advisement and put Mondala under home confinement.

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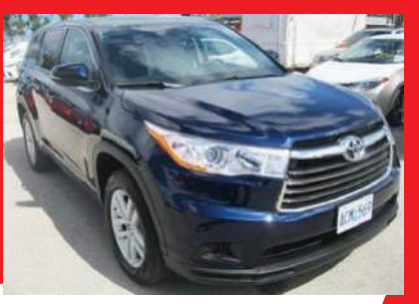

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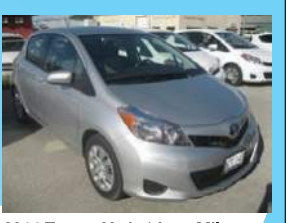

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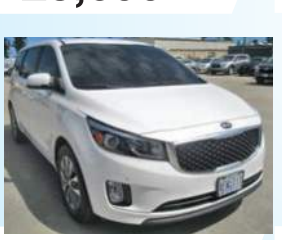

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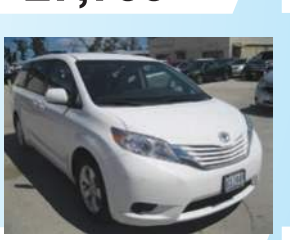

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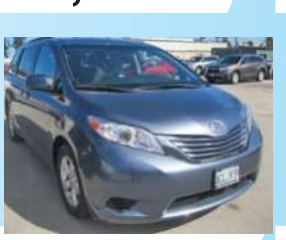

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5 Facts about
Sugar-Sweetened Beverages
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A typical 20-ounce soda has 250 calories, which would take 5 miles of walking -- or 50 minutes of running -- for a 110-pound adolescent to burn off. This means to burn the calories from one soda, a child would need to walk from San Vicente to Capital Hill on Saipan.
2
Containing almost 17 teaspoons of sugar in every 20-ounce serving, sugar-sweetened beverages are the largest single source of added sugar in the American diet.
3
A child's risk for obesity increases an average of 60 percent with every additional daily serving of soda.
4
Most sugar-sweetened beverages offer little or no nutritional value
5
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Flowers, cellphones, thingamajigs for Dads

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REPORTER

ADVERTISING Feature

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IT&E, on the other hand, is offering the Samsung Galaxy S6 Edge Plus at $299 (64GB). Sign up and get the chance of getting tons of freebies—free $20 worth of Shell gas, free activation, free 4G LTE for one month—at $80 at 20GB. For more information, call 682-4ITE (4483).

Father's Day Sale

Spend the day with Dad by spending some dough either at T Galleria, Triple J Wholesale's Truckload Store, and Town House Furniture and Appliances.

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Town House also has its own Father's Day sale event where customers can get 10 percent off on all recliner sofas, office tables, and chairs, Yamaha musical instruments, electric gas range, and washers and dryers. Selected items like Homelite chainsaw, vacuum, and lantern flashlight are 20 percent off.

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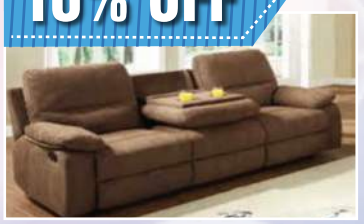

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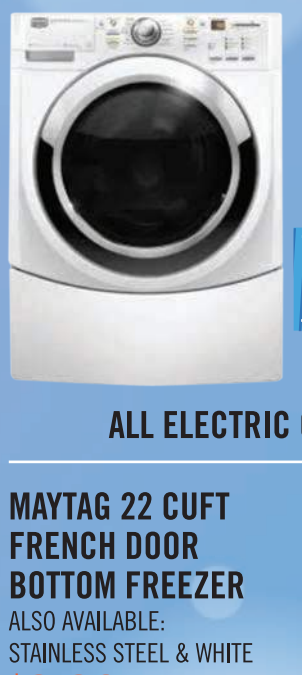

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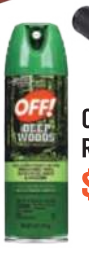

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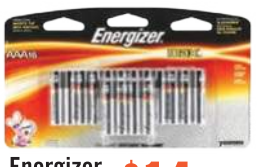

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Repeat offender gets maximum 1-year jail term for domestic violence

Camacho

Superior Court Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho has slapped the maximum one-year prison sentence against a repeat offender who entered a guilty plea over allegations he beat up his girlfriend at knifepoint at his residence in San Vicente.

For the offense of assault and battery, Camacho ordered Anthony Joseph Sakisat Camacho to serve the one-year prison term day for day, without the possibility of parole, probation, early release, work release, or weekend release.

Anthony Camacho, 39, was given credit of 76 days for time served.

For the offense of disturbing the peace, the defendant was sentenced to six months imprisonment, all suspended.

After completing the prison term, the defendant will be placed on supervised probation for two years.

The defendant was ordered to pay $25 in court costs, $200 in probation fee, and $200 fine. He was required to complete any counseling suggested by the Office of Adult Probation.

Anthony Camacho and counsel assistant public defender Tillman Clark signed a plea deal with the government. The defendant pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace and assault and battery.

Judge Camacho accepted the guilty plea and the plea deal. Assistant attorney general Shannon Foley represented the government.

According to the factual basis of the plea agreement, the defendant grabbed the victim by the hair and dragged her to the ground into the house while she was struggling to get away on Feb. 24, 2016 on Saipan. He also repeatedly punched the victim in the face.

Police Detective Peter A. Aldan stated in his report that according to the victim, the defendant accused her of having an affair and beat her up.

Two days later after he was freed upon posting bail last March, the defendant was apprehended again when police allegedly seized methamphetamine or "ice," marijuana, and several ammunitions at his residence in San Vicente. ***(Ferdie de la Torre)***

MMA exhibition at LibDay Festival grounds

In time for Father's Day, Skywalker Communication Group and Trench Tech Gym will be organizing a mixed martial arts exhibition at the Liberation Day Festival Grounds this weekend

Trench Tech owner Cuki Alvarez said the boxing and kickboxing exhibitions will be a great opportunity to showcase to the community mental, physical, and spiritual benefits one can obtain through MMA.

Alvarez, like his father before him, along with the whole Alvarez family, are known for bringing and introducing and promoting various sports entertainment such as Motocross, jetski races, parasailing, and more in the CNMI.

Trench Tech, according to Alvarez, symbolizes the Marianas Trench and its depth, and technique. To him, MMA requires a lot of training and mastering of techniques.

"Trench Tech, I would say, is the depth of knowledge one acquires through dedication, perseverance, and mastering of the sport, or anything in life. Our motto is 'We create friendship through fighting,'" he said.

He then adds, "MMA is an international sport. We invite people from all over the world, including Japan, Guam, USA, Russia, and further beyond… Everybody is equal, and everybody respects each other because it is the main meaning of every combat."

Dr. Bo Hu, Skywalker Communications president, a spiritual individual with great aspiration is to find inner peace and someone who holds great respect for words spoken by Alvarez about how mix martial arts is not just about fighting, but greatly how it "teaches you how to become a real man in a whole meaning of the word: it teaches you how to be disciplined, how to defend yourself and your family respect."

Liberation Day teaches honor and freedom. This Saturday, Saipan will witness 16 young MMA fighters demonstrate skills and energy. The youngest boy is 13, and the oldest is around 30 years old.

According to Bo, "we bring MMA fighting to the Liberation grounds as our way of showcasing the sport, as well as promoting healthy living in the CNMI, and because Sunday is Father's Day, we wanted to provide some form of entertainment for the fathers." ***(PR)***

The energy FestPac

By PHIL YORIO
SPECIAL TO THE SAIPAN TRIBUNE

With the Guam FestPac wrapping up a few weeks ago, I was glad I had a chance to talk to some of the leaders of the 26 island nations represented to see how their islands energy system is doing and what are their long term plans. I was highly impressed with a few of the islands including Tuvalu. This island nation with a 12,000 population has established a national goal of being powered entirely by renewable energy sources by 2020.

Yorio

Government officials and the donors of Tuvalu's first large-scale solar energy system alike hope the moves help inspire much larger nations such as Guam and the CNMI to break the fossil fuel trap and also commit to empowering the community of our Island.

The solar system installed on the roof of Tuvalu's largest football stadium now supplies 5 percent of the electricity needed by that nation's capital, Funafuti.

In its first 14 months, the operation has reduced Tuvalu's consumption of generator fuel, shipped from New Zealand, by about 17,000 liters and reduced Tuvalu's carbon footprint by about 50 tons.

In the process, it has also reduced the risk of diesel spills around the archipelago of four low-lying coral islands and five atolls, and adding to the islands energy security by the reduction on the reliance of fossil fuel. Based on the project's success, the country now aims to be powered entirely by renewable energy sources by 2020. Tuvalu is halfway between Hawaii and Australia, 26 square km in size, with a maximum elevation of just 4.5 meters and most of its land less than a meter above sea level.

Tuvalu is already experiencing flooding amid predictions of a large sea level rise this century due to the devastation of climate change. We all can learn a lot off of this small but progressive island nation where they understand the importance of moving away for a utility business model that not only does not work anymore but is causing havoc in the Pacific Rim. In cities also across the United States, 12 cities including Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego are adopting policies that will steer their pathway to 100 percent renewable over the next 25 years. I believe we will be able to get there in less than 15 years. Lyndon Rive, the CEO of Solar City, said solar is going to start gaining real traction in the next few years and the way we build power plants today won't happen in five years' time. With that being said and the cost of solar energy and battery energy technology getting cheaper why is there even discussions on revamping or building new power plants. We need to be the light for all of our surrounding islands to commit to an energy pathway that gives the community of Guam and the CNMI energy freedom with 100 percent renewable energy and not burdened by years of piled up debt with old technology power plants that will soon be deemed dysfunctional.

Power to the people!

BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUTS

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Happy advanced third birthday to this beautiful soul, Aubrey Ysabella! From all your loved ones near and far. We love you so much princess! We hope you enjoy your big day with us.

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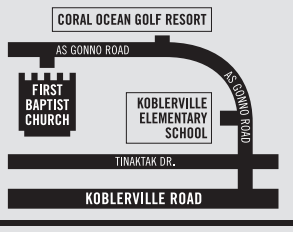

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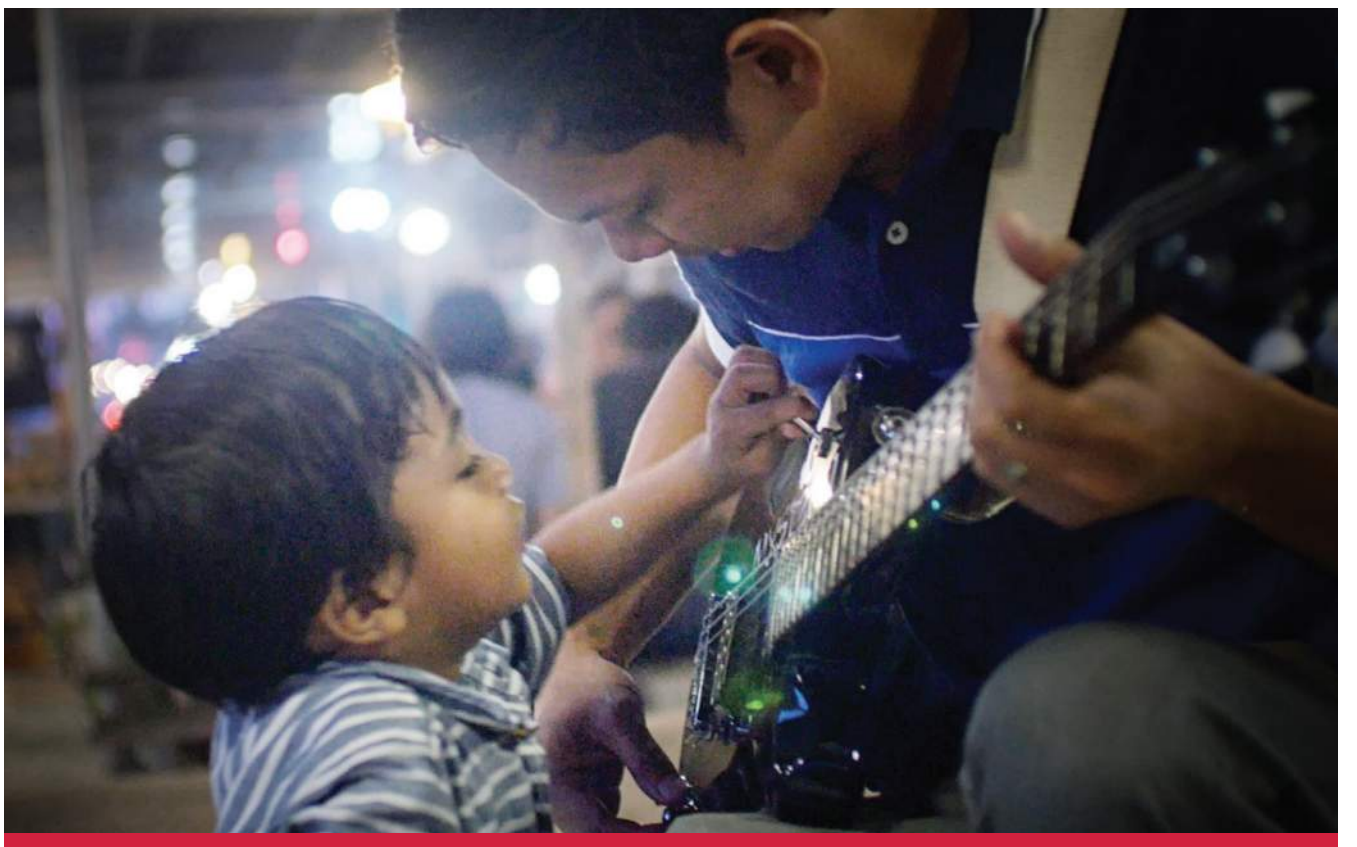

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EDITORIAL

United to heal from nightclub shooting: Where we stand

Words cannot adequately convey the depth of the horror and grief in Central Florida in the wake of what now ranks as the worst mass shooting in American history.

Orlando now tragically sits atop a list of infamy, sharing the sorrow of Virginia Tech, Newtown, Conn., and Aurora, Colo.

We will not — we must not — let Sunday's heinous act of brutality and cowardice define our community.

As terror has struck other cities around the world in recent months — Paris, Brussels, San Bernardino — our shock and anger have been mixed with a growing sense of unease. Orlando, as one of the world's most popular and iconic destinations for travelers, and a community that proudly cherishes its diversity, has long been considered a high-value target for would-be terrorists.

Now it appears our worst fears have been realized.

Investigators on Sunday were sorting out the details of the massacre following the carnage in the early-morning hours at Pulse Orlando, a gay-themed night club. They were studying what could possibly have motivated the shooter, identified by police as 29-year-old Omar Mir Seddique Mateen of Port St. Lucie, the U.S. born son of Afghan parents. He is said to have been investigated by the FBI for possible ties to Islamic extremism, though he had not been charged. He reportedly declared his allegiance to the Islamic State, and U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson of Florida said the terror group had claimed responsibility for the massacre. But Mateen's father insisted his son was motivated by hatred of homosexuals.

Whatever conclusions investigators might reach, the loss of at least 50 souls, and the wounding of dozens more innocents, is an unbearable blow for any community. We join with the families, friends and neighbors of victims in mourning them. An outpouring of love and support from Central Florida is the bare minimum due them.

Beyond offering our abundant prayers and sympathy, we must ensure that those who survive—who will forever carry the scars from the trauma—know that they are not alone today, tomorrow or in the months and years to come.

Let our community define itself by our unequivocal response: United.

How we come together to remember and honor the dead, and comfort their families and friends.

How we help heal the victims wounded in body and spirit.

How we work with our leaders and our neighbors to close gaps in security and make Central Florida safer.

How we stand in defiance of anyone who would provoke fear and division in our community.

How we proudly reaffirm Orlando's identity as a welcoming, inclusive place for people who live here or visit, no matter their background or orientation.

We will unite, in an affirming bond that is more mighty, and enduring, than the twisted thoughts of a young man who allegedly unleashed this atrocity.

It's inevitable, and healthy, that the lead-up and immediate

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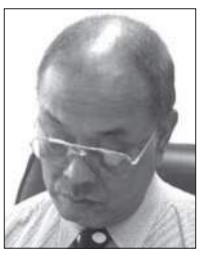
Illegal: $400K for MV *Luta*

By JOHN S. DELROSARIO JR.
Special to the Saipan Tribune



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At first glance I thought it was just another passing story, "Torres vetoes bingo board and CPA concession measures." The crux of the article is buried further down. It is exactly what my lawsuit is about on the $400K funds for the MV *Luta*. In his veto message, Gov. Ralph Torres said:

"The local bill only provides that the funds be expended in the Third Senatorial District… The bill would sidestep the governor's approval for the use of funds by allowing the delegation to approve expenditures through the passage of a mere local resolution. The Local Law Act of 1983, as amended, requires the appropriation of funds through the enactment of a local appropriation bill, not a local resolution."

The plenary authority to appropriate public funds rests with the Legislature. It begins in the House of Representatives. Earmarked funds must have a public purpose. The $400,000 for the MV *Luta* was for a private purpose or family-owned business.

If you critically review Local Law Act of 1983 it reinforces the intent under the constitution on appropriation of funds. It says it "requires…the enactment of a local appropriation bill, not a local resolution. The $400K was done via a delegation resolution. It instantly makes it unconstitutional therefore illegal!

Wobbly issues at home

It must be *annus horibilis*—horrible year—that we find very troubling. The pile of significant issues crumbling and turning into filth from self-inflicted negligence seem to mirror what lies ahead for the islands. Call it microcosm and keep your fingers crossed it is otherwise.

In the process we see the downward spiral or death of vision and leadership. I liken it to a total brownout. And nobody knows how to fix the pile of mess. CUC is broke!

You stand by the roadside humming, "Where have all the flowers gone?" Despondency seems the expression I hear most everywhere as folks turn frustration into laughter, declaring, "Up for you!"

I look around for proposals to improve the stagnant wages and salaries of employees on both sectors. I only met a huge fat zero stuck at Chalan Reda and Papago.

Kilili is the only one with a plan pushing for the implementation of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) dealing with the return of income taxes for working folks.

"EITC is a benefit for working people who have low to moderate income. A tax credit means more money in your pocket. It reduces the amount of tax you owe and may also give you a refund." We need to review this in terms what's the federal definition of "low to moderate" income. I know that the feds define poverty income level of between $24K-$26K for a family of two and four.

The failure of the 902 Entourage to resolve the labor issue spells economic disaster for the NMI. Is there a need to repeat the Sisyphus Syndrome wrapped in our grand negligence? Couldn't we look for a taller and larger mountain where we could see forever? A single trip up the hill ought to resolve the redundant insanity!

Moreover, the official confirmation of a cashless utility agency by its financial officer triggered acute apoplexy among Da Boysis on the hill. Then came bad tidings of EPA's likely imposition of $5,000 fine per day for violation of court stipulated orders. Dyscalculia instantly replaced apoplexy!

Ratepayers are likely to be on the hook for these fines rather than the real violators. This must change so each board member is held accountable for his/her actions, inactions, and indecisions. That you lacked cranial acuity isn't a reason to pass your inadequacies to us! Since when are we supposed to pay for another's crime?

We know board members ignored fiduciary responsibility on what needs to be done to fulfill court ordered stipulation in the hiring of a qualified CEO, CFO and others. Why must customers shoulder the board's inadequacies? It's all about competency, no more, no less. Is anybody home?

I felt the head wind gathering storm since two years ago. It has started moving in to make landfall. It's here and there's no room to board the windows of NMI inadequacies. Do we start buying candles and water containers now?

The board was negligent and derelict in its fiduciary duty so why must we absorb its incompetency? Pay for your self-inflicted mess!

Let's see what board members Roberto, Torres, Taitano, and San Nicolas have to say about their mess. You screwed up so you must gladly accept the perfect royal screw in reverse!

The Deal: In recent weeks, the court dismissed first-degree sexual abuse against former higher ups in DPS involving alleged abuse of a minor. It was dismissed without prejudice. Reportedly, the AG has sought reinstatement of the case. Outstanding!

In dismissing the case the judge said the girl didn't know the two guys were people of authority. Was she supposed to interview her predators? A sexual predator is a sexual predator with or without a badge! This is glaringly non sequitur when mirrored against the equal application of laws! Didn't we learn equality in our high school civics courses? Evidently, is the girl supposed to surrender what little dignity she

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Gather ye spiders while ye may

By ED STEPHENS JR.
Special to the Saipan Tribune

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During some years, when I see June on the calendar I might wince. Not because of what June means, but because of what is doesn't mean. For me, these days, it's just another month. I remember when June really meant something. Now? Not much.

June used to be the door to freedom. That's when school got out. The entire summer was stretched out in front of us like a freshly cut lawn, a lush expanse of promise and fun. I doubt that anybody can outgrow that notion. Well, I can't, anyway.

Despite the excitement that June brought, there could be problems. Mom once enrolled me in Vacation Bible School. I appealed this decision to Dad on the grounds that if it's vacation it's not school, and if it's school, it's not vacation. That's the best kind of argument because of its symmetrical elegance.

Dad agreed. He granted a reprieve.

Meanwhile, my pal, Phil, called to ask if I wanted to go catching spiders. That was good timing because I was all out of spiders. Phil reported a bumper crop near the dead dog by the elm tree. We prepared an expedition. The promise of summer really is limitless.

But the reality still had fetters. Before I could slip out the door with my spider jar, my reprieve was canceled. Mom refused to acknowledge Dad's jurisdiction in the matter, and she overturned his reprieve on the grounds of "Because I said so."

Although this ruling lacked both elegance and symmetry, I was trapped. So this ruined part of that summer. I'm happy to report that Phil was a true friend, though. He kept me supplied with fresh spiders, even a few of the short-legged juicy ones that were so coveted.

Even after our school years, my pals and I, as young professionals, managed to finesse our ways through June. It didn't take much, a couple of long weekends, and a few days when we'd slink out of the office early so we could enjoy the weather. This was an accepted practice.

June hadn't lost its meaning yet. It still had flavor.

Then one year came along when I was entombed in the office all the time, staring at spreadsheets, and June managed to sneak up on me. That's a moment that shall live in infamy. I remember sitting in a meeting with the bean-counters, and, while I tried to feign interest in some issue of profound insignificance, a flash of realization hit me: It was mid-June! Dang, how'd that happen?

I didn't know how it happened, but I felt instantly old at that point.

Meanwhile, the younger set tells me that there's no wiggle room in June, or any other month, in the workplace these days. Sauntering out the door at noon on a sunny Thursday and not coming back is not an accepted practice.

Of course, you can always take vacation, but that's not really the same thing, because, unless all your friends are also taking vacation, you're up against scheduling issues, and the whole idea is to ease up on this schedule thing, not to just change its syntax.

June is the one time of year when you're most likely to find comfortable weather anywhere between Bethel, Alaska and Biscayne, Florida. Of course, Saipan isn't in that mix, since it's sort of June all year around in the islands.

I've never looked into the matter, but it's reasonable to guess that, back in the old days, schools let out for summer so kids could help out on the family farms. That's the opposite of vacation in my book. Farm work is hard.

With that in mind, I guess I'll count my blessings, even though, once again, I've been surprised by June's arrival. It makes me feel old again. So my advice is to gather ye spiders while ye may, and if you want to know why, it's because I said so.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks Ali, Dr. King, James Brown, and Rev. Fields

Like many other people on planet earth, I was touched and even influenced by the great Muhammad Ali. Ali was the last of my mentors to check out of planet Earth which is why I can't mention Ali without mentioning the other three most influential men in my development into manhood as there is a little of all of them in me—for true! My father passed before I was even a teenager so I didn't have a real father figure to follow. Being born in the Jim Crow era, I was often dissatisfied with my identity and how life was as a black child compared to whites. As a child, I was even disappointed at being black knowing that white kids had it so much easier and better.

But thanks to Muhammad Ali I was inspired to be proud of my blackness. I even adopted Ali's braggadocios play and desire to destroy my opposition in track during my college days and my critics of today that readers may have noticed in my newspaper articles. Ali and Dr. King both inspired me to be outspoken and courageous to fight against the injustices of mankind and for what is right and best in our society—so I have a lot of Ali and Dr. King in me. Thanks to Dr. King for his sacrifice and leadership that inspired me to be a "lifelong activist for the people." Thanks to James Brown for his inspiration that restored and heightened my self-esteem to a new level with the song—"Say It Loud", I'm black and I'm proud, if JB only knew how proud he made me of myself with a simple song of eight words! Thanks to Reverend William Milton Fields, one of the most prominent and prolific pastors in Memphis "the Preacher's Preacher" who gave me his middle name along with an immense body of theological knowledge which also had a lot to do with my writing style that I got from his sermons while attending his church for the first 30 plus years of my life. I guess you can tell he was a "fire and brimstone" preacher from my no nonsense letters to the editor. I must also thank Reverend Ambrose Bennett, who gave me my first name and for inheriting his passion for writing as he was the author of most of the National Black Baptist Sunday School and Baptist Training Union materials. If you think about it, I was stamped at birth to do what I do best.

I may have grown up without a father but I had these great men to look up to as y role models. I am truly humbled as I know I was blessed to have these men as my mentors and role models. I just wanted to say publicly that the world is a better place because of these great men and I can only pray that my two cents has help to make a difference here in the CNMI. Muhammed gave me the courage as all my mentors passed on a trait in me to transcend religious and cultures obstacles to be a champion of and for the people. I am truly blessed to have been influenced by some of the greatest men I ever knew on planet Earth. I may never be as great as my male mentors but I will continue to live and even die trying to be a man like them. Thanks Ali, Dr. King, JB, and Rev. Fields

Readers, I am sharing this not to be braggadocios but just to let the thousands of people who truly appreciate me and my many letters and articles over the many years to know where I got the inspiration and a lot of the wisdom to write the many articles I have written—thank you for your support as you are truly appreciated and the main reason I continue writing today!

PS: As for Francisco Agulto's distaste and disbelief over my IQ being 139, which is only 1 point from the Genius category—you need to stop hatting and being jealous! My IQ was not self-proclaimed but a matter of fact established by a psychiatrist through tests for the State of Tennessee as I was one of the state's test subjects when White America was trying to understand blacks and their level of true intelligence as a race. My IQ is for real which tells me and most readers that I may have a competitive edge on you Francisco and the rest of my critics who just don't get it that I'm about them and the people because their minds are so full of the clouds of hate!

Ambrose M. Bennett
Kagman

Will a miracle happen?

When I was in Phnom Penh, Cambodia the last week, a friend who is working at the casino there told me that it was a blessing in disguise that she did not apply for a job at Best Sunshine. She continued by saying that her friends who got hired last year are already going back in the Philippines. She doesn't really know the reason but she said she was told it has something to do with visa. She swore that she will not consider applying for a job in Saipan because she doesn't want to be like her friends who soon will be unemployed. Imagine how this situation creates negative impression in the CNMI. Do we think that workers would consider coming here if they have another choice?

Until recently, it was not really clear to me what was going to happen to the CW workers whose visa are expiring after the cap was already reached. The good news is that I found out that they can apply again next calendar year but the bad news is that for now until then, these workers will need to leave the CNMI. Even if it is temporary, the most painful effect of this is the separation of families.

I understand that it will take the Congress of the United States to change the law and most likely a willing President to alleviate the situation, but I continue to ask why they are allowing this crisis to happen especially to families. Surely they can do something. Is there a lesson that needs to be learned and we are just not seeing it? Or they simply don't care.

While it is easy for others who are not affected by this issue to think that we are not in a hopeless situation and that there is a solution, I ask them to see it from the eyes of these workers who will suffer the pain because their lives are already built here and whose children will be left behind when they leave.

Irene Nepomuceno
Puerto Rico

Sleepless in Seattle redux

Five thousand miles away and the CW crisis in the CNMI is one of the things that makes it difficult for me, a Saipan-born U.S. citizen born to a "contract worker" family, to fall asleep at night.

Growing up with small business owners as parents, a constant phrase I heard at home was "I have to go process papers this week." Admittedly my family is one of the lucky ones. They aren't about to be deported—yet. They have been one of the lucky ones for over 10 years now.

It's hard to say how long this luck will last under this broken immigration system. And for many of our friends and families, that time is up. Their families are being torn apart left and right and it breaks my heart and the hearts of all the families affected by this crisis to see it happening.

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The Weather

5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Partly cloudy with isolated showers. East winds 15 to 20 mph.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers. East winds 10 to 15 mph.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
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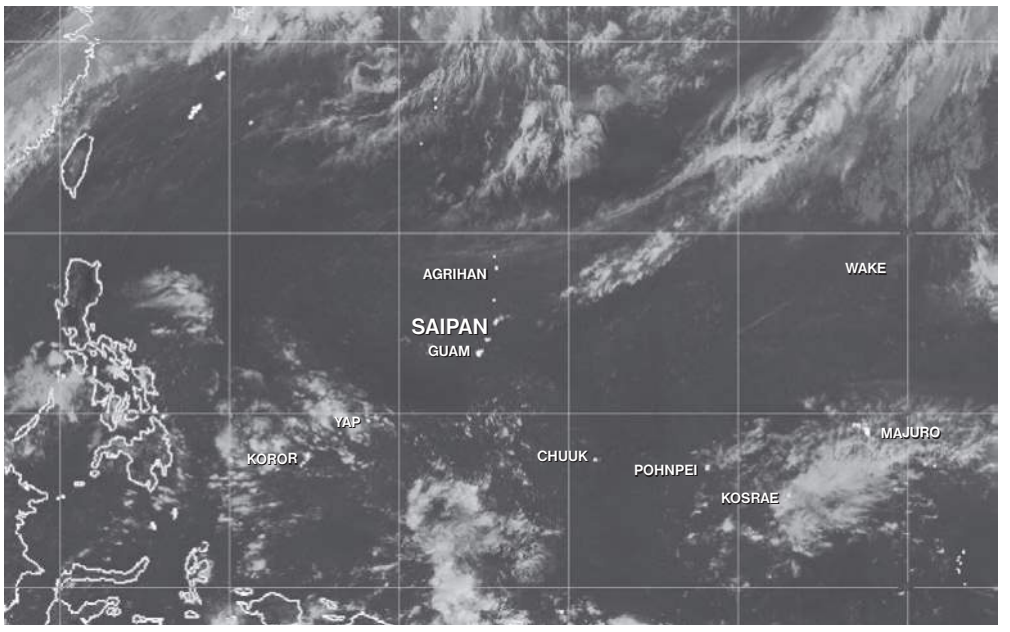

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Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

Converging surface winds are producing widely scattered showers and a few thunderstorms near and northwest of Yap within 75 miles of a line from 14N133E to 9N138E, and just west and southwest of koror between 9N and the equator from 130E to 134E. A trade-wind disturbance is far south of Guam with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms within an area from 6N141E to 3N148E to EQ143E back to 6N141E. Another trade-wind disturbance is southeast of Kosrae with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms within 150 miles of a line from 7N166E to 3N162E. A third trade-wind disturbance is east of Majuro with scattered showers and a few thunderstorms east of a line from 9N175E to 5N175E. A surface trough northwest of Wake Island curves southwestward from 25N164E to 21N160E to 17N153E. Scattered showers are within 50 miles of the trough.

Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam homepage: www.prh.noaa.gov/guam/

Micronesia

Guam And Rota	Thunderstorms	▲90	▼81
Palau	Partly Cloudy	▲87	▼79
Yap	Thunderstorms	▲92	▼78
Chuuk	Partly Cloudy	▲88	▼79
Pohnpei	Thunderstorms	▲87	▼79
Kosrae	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼80
Majuro	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼80

Around the Globe

Auckland	Clear	▲62	▼49
Beijing	Clear	▲89	▼69
Hong Kong	Thunderstorms	▲86	▼80
Honolulu	Partly Cloudy	▲84	▼73
London	Showers	▲65	▼52
Los Angeles	Clear	▲76	▼59
Manila	Thunderstorms	▲92	▼77
Melbourne	Rain	▲54	▼53
Miami	Partly Cloudy	▲89	▼77
New York	Showers	▲75	▼63
Osaka	Rain	▲82	▼71
Paris	Thunderstorms	▲68	▼53
Pusan	Mostly Cloudy	▲84	▼65
Rome	Windy and Partly Cloudy	▲79	▼68
Salem	Cloudy	▲67	▼49
San Francisco	Showers	▲66	▼55
Seoul	Partly Cloudy	▲85	▼62
Tokyo	Rain	▲83	▼68
Washington, DC	Scattered Thunderstorms	▲83	▼65

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Saipan Harbor

4:49 AM	Today	High Tide:	1.8 Feet
12:10 PM	Today	Low Tide:	0.1 Feet
6:52 PM	Today	High Tide:	1.6 Feet

Sunrise/Sunset

Today	5:47 AM	6:49 PM
Saturday	5:47 AM	6:49 PM
Sunday	5:47 AM	6:49 PM
Monday	5:48 AM	6:49 PM
Tuesday	5:48 AM	6:50 PM

Moonrise/Moonset

Today	4:05 PM	3:12 AM
Saturday	4:54 PM	3:54 AM
Sunday	5:44 PM	4:39 AM
Monday	6:35 PM	5:26 AM
Tuesday	7:26 PM	6:16 AM

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SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)

UA2924	4:15am	5:05am	Daily
UA2922	8:40am	9:30am	Daily
UA2921	1:30pm	3:10pm	1, 4, 5, 7 via Rota
UA2920	2:20pm	3:10pm	2, 3, 6
UA2928	6:05pm	6:55pm	Daily
UA2926	9:50pm	10:40pm	Daily

SAIPAN-ROTA (ROP)

UA2921	1:30pm	2:05pm	1, 4, 5, 7

ROTA (ROP)-GUAM (GUM)

UA2921	2:35pm	3:10pm	1, 4, 5, 7

SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)

DL297	4:20pm	7:00pm	Daily

SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)

OZ626	2:20am	6:00am	1
OZ626	2:50am	6:30am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
7C3403	4:45am	8:30am	Daily
LJ652	2:10pm	6:05pm	Daily
7C3401	4:00pm	7:45pm	Daily

SAIPAN-BUSAN (PUS)

OZ608	3:10am	6:20am	4, 7

SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG)

3U8648	6:10am	8:40am	1, 4, 5, 7

SAIPAN-BEIJING (PEK)

MU764	1:30am	6:35am	3, 5, 7

SAIPAN-GUANGZHOU (CAN)

3U8646	4:20am	7:30am	2, 6

SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)

OZ626/701	2:20am	11:05am	1 via ICN
OZ626/701	2:50am	11:05am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
UA2924/191	4:15am	8:55am	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
UA2924/PR111	4:15am	9:15am	Daily via GUM
PR1572	4:35am	6:45am	1, 4
UA2922/183	8:40am	8:50pm	2, 5 via GUM
UA2922/193	8:40am	10:35pm	2, 5 via GUM-ROR
UA2921/183	1:30pm	8:50pm	5 via Rota-GUM
UA2921/193	1:30pm	10:35pm	5 via Rota-GUM-ROR
UA2921/191	1:30pm	8:55am+1	1, 5 via Rota-GUM
UA2920/183	2:20pm	8:50pm	2 via GUM
UA2920/193	2:20pm	10:35pm	2 via GUM-ROR
UA2920/191	2:20pm	8:55am+1	2, 6 via GUM
UA2928/191	6:05pm	8:55am+1	1, 2, 5, 6 via GUM
UA2926/191	9:50pm	8:55am+1	1, 2, 5, 6 via GUM

SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)

OZ626/721	2:20am	11:50am	1 via ICN
OZ626/721	2:50am	11:50am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
UA2922/159	8:40am	9:55pm	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM
UA2921/159	1:30pm	9:55pm	1, 5 via Rota-GUM
UA2920/159	2:20pm	9:55pm	3, 6 via GUM

ARRIVALS

GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN

UA2923	2:45am	3:35am	Daily
UA2925	7:15am	8:05am	Daily
UA2921	12:10pm	1:00pm	1, 4, 5, 7
UA2920	12:10pm	1:50pm	2, 3, 6 via Rota
UA2927	4:45pm	5:35pm	Daily
UA2929	8:30pm	9:20pm	Daily

GUAM (GUM)-ROTA (ROP)

UA2920	12:10pm	12:45pm	2, 3, 6

ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN

UA2920	1:15pm	1:50pm	2, 3, 6

NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN

DL298	10:30am	3:05pm	Daily

SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN

LJ651	7:30am	1:10pm	Daily
7C3402	9:30am	3:00pm	Daily
OZ625	7:40pm	1:10am+1	7
OZ625	8:15pm	1:45am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
7C3404	10:10pm	3:40am+1	Daily

BUSAN (PUS)-SAIPAN

OZ607	9:05pm	1:55am+1	3, 6

SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN

3U8647	10:40pm	5:00am+1	3, 4, 6, 7

BEIJING (PEK)-SAIPAN

MU763	4:40pm	12:30am+1	2, 4, 6

GUANGZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN

3U8645	7:40pm	3:00am+1	1, 5

MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN

UA190/2927	9:55am	5:35pm	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
UA190/2929	9:55am	9:20pm	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
OZ702/625	12:15pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
OZ702/625	12:15pm	1:45am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
PR1571	9:20pm	3:35am+1	3, 7
UA192/2925	9:45pm	8:05am+1	2, 5 via ROR-GUM
UA192/2920	9:45pm	1:50pm+1	2, 5 via ROR-GUM-Rota
UA192/2927	9:45pm	5:35pm+1	2, 5 via ROR-GUM
UA192/2929	9:45pm	9:20pm+1	2, 5 via ROR-GUM
PR110/UA2925	10:05pm	8:05am+1	Daily via GUM
UA184/2925	11:30pm	8:05am+1	2, 5 via GUM
UA184/2920	11:30pm	1:50pm+1	2, 5 via GUM-Rota
UA184/2927	11:30pm	5:35pm+1	2, 5 via GUM
UA184/2929	11:30pm	9:20pm+1	2, 5 via GUM

HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN

OZ722/625	1:10pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
OZ722/625	1:10pm	1:45am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
UA116/2925	9:55pm	8:05am+1	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM
UA116/2921	9:55pm	1:00pm+1	3, 6 via GUM
UA116/2920	9:55pm	1:50pm+1	1, 5 via GUM-Rota
UA116/2927	9:55pm	5:35pm+1	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM
UA116/2929	9:55pm	9:20pm+1	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM

LEGEND: Days: Monday (1), Tuesday (2), Wednesday (3), Thursday (4), Friday (5), Saturday (6) and Sunday (7); 3U: Sichuan Airlines; MU: China Eastern; UA: United Airlines; DL: Delta Airlines; OZ: Asiana; 7C: Jeju AirETD: Estimated Time of Departure;ETA: Estimated Time of Arrival. The Saipan Tribune is not responsible for any changes in the schedule.)

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5:30PM	5:45PM	Daily
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SAIPAN TO TINIAN

DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
7:00AM	7:15AM	Daily
8:00AM	8:15AM	Daily
9:00AM	9:15AM	Daily
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3:00PM	3:15PM	Daily
4:00PM	4:15PM	Daily
5:00PM	5:15PM	Daily
6:00PM	6:15PM	Daily

SAIPAN TO ROTA

DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
7:45AM	8:15AM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
4:00PM	4:30PM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat

ROTA TO SAIPAN

DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
8:30AM	9:00AM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
4:45PM	5:15PM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat

SLEEPLESS

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They came here with good intentions, knowing full well the limitations of their status. They can't vote and they can't own land, they can only hope that if they become good citizens and pledge themselves to serving the islands, they can continue raising their kids without the oppressions of their home countries harming those children. They'd rather take the hit for us. Because hoping as second class citizens in the islands is better than being first class citizens in nations that can't take care of them, admittedly. They're forced to take care of themselves with service to this community as their payment.

They have done nothing but serve the community. In the midst of the economic disadvantage that makes it difficult to pay even the bills, how can you tell us to get immigration lawyers? In the midst of the political disadvantage of the vast majority of these workers and the population being ineligible to vote, how can you tell us it's our fault that policies are working against us when we had no political voice or power the whole time we worked for you? Your local government could have cleanly gotten rid of us way back if there's validity in your claims that we don't belong here. Evidently, just because it's the law, doesn't mean it's right. You blame America for its faulty gun laws, but look in the mirror and see its reflection: your resistance, silent or otherwise, to advocating for these foreign workers in the CNMI.

Many of our families have not spoken out against the racism we experience, and many don't even acknowledge it. It's unfathomable for me to see in the comments of these newspaper articles how so many of our islands' voting-eligible population remain vigilant in hate and resentment in an effort to still protect their own privileges.

We have served these islands as second-class citizens silently for years—protecting your privilege in order to sustain our families.

We don't fight against the fact that this land is yours. We fight against the displacement of our families. We fight against our services going unwarranted, when all our parents asked for was to stay, work for you, and give their children pathways to opportu-

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Office of the Secretary of Public Works
2nd Floor Joeten Commercial Building,
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INVITATION FOR BIDS
DPW-16-IFB-014

Supply, Delivery and Installation of Pulverizer System and Construction of Canopy Enclosure

Governor Ralph Dlg. Torres and Lt. Governor Victor B. Hocog, through the Department of Public Works (DPW) are soliciting sealed bids for **Supply, Delivery and Installation of Pulverizer System and Construction of Canopy Enclosure,** Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).

The project package will be available on or after **June 17, 2016** at Technical Services Division, Department of Public Works, located on Second Floor, Oleai Joeten Commercial Center, San Jose, Saipan. A non-refundable payment of **One Hundred Dollars ($100.00)** is required for each set. Payment must be made to the CNMI Treasurer and a receipt of payment must be presented when obtaining the Scope of Work at the DPW Technical Services Division.

All interested bidders are also required to include Insurer Clearance Certification (ICC) in their bid packages in order to bid on this project. The ICC can be obtained at the Department of Commerce/Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC) on Capitol Hill.

Bidding procedures shall be in full compliance with the CNMI Procurement Regulations, dated May 24, 2001.

There will be a **Mandatory Pre-bid Conference** for this project on **July 06, 2016 , 9:00 a.m. local time** at the Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Management Division Conference Room, Lower Base, Saipan. The Prospective bidders are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the site. All questions regarding this project must be submitted in writing no later than 4:30 p.m. local time on **July 08, 2016** to **Mr. Anthony A. Camacho, Director of Technical Services Division,** 2nd Floor, Oleai Joeten Commercial Center, Saipan or fax to (670) 234-3547. Response to questions shall be shared with prospective bidders.

Prospective bidders should examine and review the invitation for bids with care. If it should appear to a prospective bidder that the performance of the work under the contract or any of the matters relative thereto is not sufficiently described or explained in the invitation for bids, or that any discrepancy exists between different parts of the invitation for bids, or that full intent of the invitation for bids is not clear, then the prospective bidder shall submit a written request for clarification no later than ten (10) working days before the scheduled bid opening at 4:30 pm to **Mr. Anthony A. Camacho, Director of Technical Services Division,** 2nd Floor, Oleai Joeten Commercial Center, Saipan or fax to (670) 234-3547.

The prospective bidder shall examine carefully the site of the proposed work and the invitation for bids before submitting a bid.
The Contracting Officer (CO) may, upon recommendation of the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR), issue an addendum notifying all prospective bidders known to have received an invitation for bids, or if issued after the deadline for submission of the notice of intention to bid, to those persons who submitted such notice, of any changes to the invitation for bids. The Department of Public Works will make every reasonable attempt to notify all persons who obtained the invitation for bids from the Technical Services Division by telephone to pick up the addendum or if the CO chooses, the addendum may be mailed or delivered personally or by facsimile machine. If the bid proposal requires the acknowledgment of addenda, the prospective bidder shall indicate the date of each addendum in the space provided. **It shall be the prospective bidder's responsibility to confirm the existence of any addendum by telephoning the COTR at (670) 234-9828/9838 no later than ten (10) Calendar days before the scheduled bid opening.**

Sealed bids must be marked "**DPW-16-IFB-014**". For bidders within the CNMI, an original and two copies of sealed bids must be submitted to the Office of the Director of Procurement and Supply, located at the former Emergency Management Office, Ascencion Drive, Building No. 1301, Capitol Hill, Saipan, no later than **10:00 a.m. local time, July 29, 2016.** Bidders located outside of the CNMI may obtain an additional Seven (7) working days for receipt of their bids by submitting a Notice of Intent to bid. Notices of Intent to bid must be received by the Director of Procurement and Supply no later than **10:00 a.m. local time, July 29, 2016** and must be transmitted via facsimile to (670) 664-1515, or via e-mail to procurement@pticom.com. For bidders located outside the CNMI, an original and two copies of sealed bids must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service or the official government postal service of a foreign country no later than **July 29, 2016** and the BID documents must be received at the Office of the Director of Procurement and Supply no later than **August 11, 2016.** Note that failure to submit the required number of copies may be cause for rejection of a bid.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the Office of the Director of Procurement and Supply, located at the former Emergency Management Office, Ascencion Drive, Building No. 1301, Capitol Hill, Saipan, at **10:00 a.m. local time, August 15, 2016.** However, if no notices of intent to bid were received from bidders outside the CNMI, bids will be opened at **10:00 a.m. local time, on July 29, 2016.**

For bids greater than Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars **($25,000.00)** a bid security of fifteen (15%) of the bid amount must accompany the bid. **Bid security shall be on a bid bond, in cash, by certified check, cashiers check or other form acceptable to the government. A surety company shall hold the certificate of authority from the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury as an acceptable surety or other surety acceptable to the Attorney General. Surety requiring approval of the Attorney General must be pre-approved prior to bid submission.** Checks must be made payable to the CNMI Treasurer, with the name of the bidder and a notation on the face of the check: "Credit Account No. 44660". If a bid bond is submitted it must be accompanied by an Insurer Clearance Certification (ICC).

The bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid will be subject to a responsibility determination in conformance with the CNMI Procurement Regulations **§70-30.3-245.** The responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid will be awarded a contract with the CNMI Government and will be required to deliver Performance and Payment bonds, each equal to 100% of the contract price for contracts greater than $25,000.00. Prior to the execution of the contract, the selected contractor shall submit:
a) A current license from the bonding company showing that it has authority to issue bond in the CNMI, and
b) A certification from the bonding company that the unencumbered value of its assets (exclusive of all outstanding commitments on other bond obligations) exceed the penal amount of each bond.

A contractor submitting an unacceptable payment or performance bond may be permitted a reasonable time, as determined by the P&S Director, to substitute an acceptable bond prior to executing a contract.

Acceptable assets are only:
1) Cash
2) US Gov't Securities
3) Stocks and Bonds traded on US Security Exchange
4) Real Property owned in fee simple in US; and
5) Irrevocable Letters of Credit

Performance time for completion of this project is **Sixty (60) calendar days** upon issuance of Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages for delays beyond the established completion date will be assessed at the rate of **One Hundred (US$100.00)** for each and every day the work is delayed beyond the established completion date.

All bid documents received shall become the sole property of the CNMI Government. The Government reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any imperfection in a bid proposal that does not affect the elements of price, quantity, and delivery of the bid, in the best interest of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

JAMES A. ADA
Secretary of Public Works

HERMAN S. SABLAN
Director of Procurement & Supply

SLEEPLESS

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nity that the homeland could not give.

You opened the doors to us, wide open compared to the sliver the United States did. That's why our families are here. That's why we're here.

Tell me, where do I—and hundreds of other U.S. citizen millennials and children born to foreign workers—stand in the light of these uncertain policies?

When you tell our families to "go home," you're telling us—the children your islands have educated—to not come back and serve this community.

When you tell our families to "stop taking your jobs," you're forcing us—the children your islands have worked so hard to help send off to college—to stop midway because our families lost jobs they've been working in for as long as 10 years.

When you tell our families that "time is up," you're telling us—an entire generation of first generation Pacific Islander-bred U.S. citizens—to lose hope in the islands.

And we have the right to feel this way—you've made that clear.

But many of us also see the way the islands will fall apart if we give in. Many of us don't want to hold on to anger.

If there's one thing we have in common it's that we have come to call these islands home—just as much as you have. And our families can see that. It's why they want to stay and support us.

Last week I asked my mom through a phone call why, at this point, she won't go back to the Philippines— a valid question in the eyes of everyone that oppose immigration reform. She responded, "If I were only taking care of myself I would go back! But it's you kids that I'm thinking about." My sister is 9 years old. My brother is 2 years old. All three of us are U.S. citizens.

Here's a question for y'all: What makes you think that I—and hundreds of other Saipan-born U.S. citizens— would choose to go back to our parents' homeland, places so many of us have never even seen because of the limitations of these documents on our parents from traveling abroad, would want to suddenly relocate there?

Before going off for school, I received a scholarship check from one of your foundations. For the longest time I told myself that after I graduate, I want to return and serve my community—my home. But with the pervasiveness of this issue, it makes it harder to stay tenacious to that goal.

Opportunity might be even better here in mainland America, maybe even for my parents when I petition them in two years. But I've never thought of it as a place I want to be in for the rest of my life. It isn't where my parents, who yearn to keep their simple lifestyle, want to be. While there's a lot for me to learn while I'm here, mainland America is a foreign land to me.

Here in Seattle, I identify as a Pacific Islander. Saipan is my home. As powerful as your privilege may be, it isn't in the position of telling me, or my family, otherwise.

Katrina Punzalan
University of Washington '19

ILLEGAL

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has because the predator is an authority?

Was it silenced for fear that the tentacles of justice may implicate some people in the inner sanctums of the second and third branches of government? So the rights of the abused were effectively suppressed to preserve the stature of alleged predators who are in positions of authority? Isn't the very definition of corruption? Would any of the predators keep his silence if the minor were his daughter? I didn't know corruption has metastasized or spread to every branch of government here! Inebriating!

UNITED

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reaction to the shooting will be scrutinized for any shortcomings. But local, state and federal leaders deserve credit for responding in cooperation and solidarity. Gov. Rick Scott quickly declared a state of emergency to remove any barriers to federal and state assistance.

Lest we forget, we have heroes. They are the people who stepped up as community treasures in the midst of tragedy.

The police who converged on an active crime scene in the middle of the night to confront the shooter.

The trauma teams at area hospitals who responded to the overwhelming crush of gravely wounded victims.

The crowds of caring people who stood patiently in lines snaking from area blood-donation centers.

The neighbors who spontaneously provided food and drinks to the first responders on the scene.

Let us sustain and build on these efforts.

Central Florida is tested as never before. Our heartfelt response will grow stronger every day. #OrlandoUnited

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Greenstay Sales Office set to open on June 25

Skywalker Holdings Company will be opening its Greenstay Sales Office on June 25. The Greenstay Sales Office is located at the second floor of the green commercial building on Middle Road, across the Shell Gas Station and Pizza Hut.

The office time runs from 10am to 6pm every day. The Greenstay Sales Office will be fully opening to clients for signing housing contracts from June 25 to July 10. It's time for your dream house to come true!

There are 221 families who have already signed the Home Ownership Scheme during the first showcase. Clients who are interested in purchasing houses are going to sign the house purchasing contract during the opening and in order to give thanks to the support of Greenstay, decorative gifts are all ready for those who sign the contract throughout the opening, according to Cyril, sales account manager of Skywalker Holdings. Existing clients from the first showcase and new clients are all respectfully invited.

"As for the Greenstay houses, we will only be issuing limited to 50 units for the Greenstay phrase I," Cyril said.

For those who are really interested in the Greenstay houses but have not applied during the first showcase, Skywalker Holdings will be having a second Greenstay showcase for existing and potential clients. The first showcase took place in December 2015 at the Garapan Fishing Base. This upcoming showcase will feature its updated fully furnished three- and four-bedroom houses. The company hopes to see previous people from the very first showroom and new people who are curious about the Greenstay houses.

The Greenstay houses are extremely typhoon-resistant. Each house will be built with galvanized steel and concrete so each house is rust and earthquake proof. PU foam, which is also used, is on the walls and ceiling, which helps insulate making the house sound proof. The PU foams also used to absorbs moisture and prevents rust in its structure. Wood and plastic composite materials, including cement fiber boards, will also be used in the making of the house to account for the termite problem here on Saipan. The materials will not contain nutrients from real wood, making them termite-resistant.

For those interested in the Greenstay houses, email greenstay.cnmi@gmail.com or check out the company on its Facebook page. ***(PR)***

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The Greenstay Sales Office will open on June 25 on the second floor of the green commercial building along Middle Road across from the Shell Gas Station and Pizza Hut.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Happy Fathers Day going to our hardworking Dads (Jess, Lorenzo, Ezra, and Calvani). We all would like to thank you for all you do and we wish you the best Father's Day.

Tricia H. Manglona
286-5644

Pro Se

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

In re the matter of Appointment of the	)	FCD GU CIVIL ACTION NO. 16-0242
For: Guardian of the Estate for Daverish M. Alqueza by	)	**ORDER SHORTENING TIME AND NOTICE OF HEARING**
Tricia H. Manglona Petitioner(s)	)	

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING, It is hereby ordered that the time for notice of hearing for Petitioner(s) petition be shortened and that the hearing be set on June 27, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 205A.

Dated this 13th day of June, 2016.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			6/1 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/2 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/3 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/4 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)
6/5 Sunday Brunch $22 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/6 Buffet Lunch $14	6/7 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/8 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/9	6/10 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/11 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)
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6/19 Father's Day Brunch $25 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/20	6/21 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/22 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/23	6/24 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/25 *Seafood Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)
6/26 Sunday Brunch $22	6/27	6/28 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/29 Buffet Lunch $14 *Seafood & Sushi Night* Reg.: $35 (Local: $25)	6/30		

* *Our **"Dolphin"** restaurant (10th floor of Crystal Tower in Grandvrio Resort Saipan) has reopened as A-La-Carte restaurant. Welcome to enjoy fast & nice Lunch Menu ($8~) and authentic Japanese Shabu Shabu or Sukiyaki for your dinner ($35). "Spectacular Ocean view and Sunset!" Open time: Everyday Lunch: 11:30am-2:00pm Last Order: 1:30pm / Dinner 5:30pm-9:00pm Last Order : 8:30pm*
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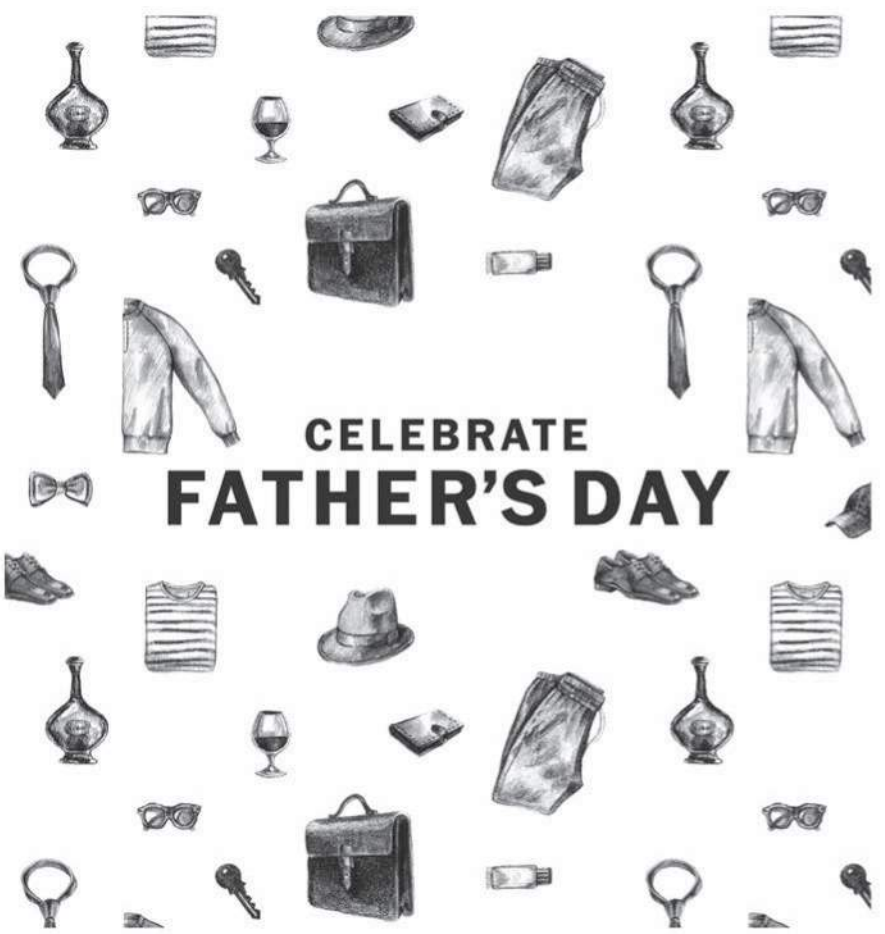

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*Certain brands and restrictions apply. Must show proof of CNMI residency. Winners will be notified on June 21

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IT&E donates cellphones, wireless services to CARE

As part of their continuing efforts to help the CNMI recover from the destruction of Typhoon Soudelor that devastated Saipan with super typhoon winds last August, IT&E has been involved in numerous recovery efforts throughout the island.

One of these efforts is the recent donation of two cellular units and accompanying wireless service to the Commonwealth Advocates for Recovery Efforts. The organization is a longterm recovery group that identifies, facilitates and delivers resources and long-term support to address the unmet needs of individuals and families impacted by disaster.

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From left, IT&E chief operating officer John Compton, a representative from CARE with Jenny Hegland, IT&E executive director of Customer Operations Rob C. Harrell, and IT&E Customer Service manager Janice Tenorio.

"We are extremely grateful for the work that the team at CARE has been conducting to help residents recover from Typhoon Soudelor and other disasters," said John M. Compton, IT&E chief operating officer. "The cellular phones and service that we recently contributed will help the organization continue their important work. We are a proud supporter of CARE."

Organizational members of CARE include Karidat, Ayuda Foundation, Rotary Club, United for Saipan, various government and nonprofit organizations, and many more. In addition to helping to coordinate recovery work, the organization also maintains a volunteer database for those who want to help out in times or disaster or recovery.

"We are continually impressed with the passion and dedication that the volunteers of CARE and other agencies demonstrate in times of need, and we want to assist in every way we can to help them," added Compton. ***(PR)***

Air Force, Navy to conduct training at W-517, FDM

ASAN, Guam—The Air Force will conduct training at Warning Area 517 during the following dates and times:

- June 20-21 from 1pm to 6pm
- June 22 from 1pm to 6pm and from 8pm to 10pm
- June 23 from 11:30am to 3:30pm

The Navy will conduct training on the island of Farallon de Medinilla June 20-26 from 8am to 11:55pm.

The general public, especially fishermen, commercial pilots and marine tour operators are advised to stay clear of the areas during the dates and times indicated.

W-517 is activated south of latitude 12° 40' 00"N. All vessels are advised to remain clear of W-517 south of latitude 12° 40' 00"N. Santa Rosa Reef and Galvez Bank are open for public use. W-517 is an irregular shaped polygon comprising of 14,000 nautical square miles of airspace that begins south of Guam and extends south-southwest in international waters. W-517 supports surface and aerial gunnery, missiles, and laser exercises.

The general location of the training on the island of Farallon de Medinilla will be on a 10-nautical mile radius on all quadrants. Farallon de Medinilla plays a special and unique role in national defense because its location provides frequent access that supports established training requirements. In addition, the air and sea space in the Farallon provides sufficient room for the many different attack profiles necessary to replicate training opportunities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

For more information, contact the Joint Region Marianas Public Affairs Office at (671) 349-4055/3209. ***(PR)***

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

BANK OF GUAM, Plaintiff,	] Civil Action] No. 14-0192]
vs.	] NOTICE OF] AUCTION
VICTORIA D. DELA CRUZ a.k.a. VICTORIA DLC. CABRERA Defendant.	] and] JUDICIAL] SALE]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of a judgment made and entered in the above titled action on the 14th day of April, 2015, by the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, to satisfy the amount found and adjudged due Plaintiff in the above titled action from Defendant, as prescribed in the Order Approving Judicial Sale of Mortgaged Property, the undersigned counsel or his designee will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the **13th day of July, 2016 at 10 a.m.,** at the Law Office of Robert T. Torres, Plata Drive, Chalan Kiya, Saipan, the premises and real estate, lying and being on Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, described in said judgment, to wit:

Lot No. 312-4, (formerly part of Lot 312-R2, which was part of Lot 312-R1, which was part of Lot 312), as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat No. 2115/86 the original of which was recorded 03 JUL 1986 as Document No. 86-1333 at Commonwealth Recorder's, Saipan.

Terms and Conditions of Sale.

1. Rights and duties of Auctioneer. Consistent with the custom and usage and applicable laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands governing auction sales with reserve, the auctioneer or his designee shall have the following rights and duties in conducting the auction sale:

a) withdraw the property listed for sale in the public announcement before sale or before a bid for such property is accepted.

b) to adjourn the sale without notice at any time before any specific property is sold, without incurring any liability whatsoever thereby; and

c) to reject any and all bids.

2. Bids. Tentative bids may be submitted in advance for any and all of the property listed in the notice. Such bids shall not be binding, except that the highest of such bids will automatically be considered the opening bid for the property. Bids may be entered in person, in writing, or by telephone to Robert T. Torres, Attorney at Law, Plata Drive, Chalan Kiya, P.O. Box 503758, Saipan, MP 96950, Phone: 670-234-7859; Fax: 670-234-5749; Email: rttlaw@pticom.com.

3. Deposit and Payment. A deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price must be paid on the day of the auction sale. The remaining balance will be due within ten days of the auction sale. All payments must be made by cash, cashier's check, or money order. Failure to make payment of the remaining balance within ten days will result in forfeiture by the buyer of the 10% deposit, and any and all of the buyer's rights, title and interest in any of the property will revert to Bank of Guam.

4. Change of Terms. Auctioneer and Bank of Guam reserve the right to change any of the terms of conduct and enforcement of sale by announcement, written or oral, made before the auction sale or at the commencement thereof, and such change or changes, by virtue of this clause shall be binding on any buyer by constructive notice.

5. Inspection and No Warranty. Bidders are cautioned to inspect the title and property. Contact the Law Office of Robert T. Torres for scheduled viewing and inspection times. The interests of the property are being sold "AS IS" and without warranty. Failure to inspect the real property will not constitute a ground for any claim, adjustment or rescission by any buyer.

DATED this 25th day of May, 2016.

/s/
Robert T. Torres, Auctioneer

15 SEER SPLIT A/C
PRICE
W/ BASIC INSTALLATION
9,000 BTU 110V $69 /paycheck $79 /paycheck
12,000 BTU 110V $89 /paycheck $99 /paycheck
18,000 BTU 220V $109 /paycheck $119 /paycheck
22,000 BTU 220V $129 /paycheck $139 /paycheck
GALAXY S7
GALAXY S7 edge
NOW IT'S $199 DOWN!
WE ACCEPT:
CELLPHONE REPAIRS
AIRCONS & WASHERS SERVICES
PC BARGAIN STORE
All Prices Subject For 6 months to pay only
Requirements: 2 (two) latest checkstubs;
2 (two) valid ID's ;1 (one) Co-signer
SAIPAN branch Unit 2 Tunkiku's Bldg (beside Hermans Bakery in GARAPAN) Tel. Nos.: 789-8261;233-3377
SAN JOSE branch Across San Jose Mart beside Marianas Insurance Tel. No.: 234-3377

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

JOSE S. RIOS, Plaintiff,	] CIVIL ACTION] NO. 16-0007E]
vs.	]]
YOO JIN KIM (CHUNG), SAIPAN KOREANA HOTEL, INC., and PACIFIC TOWERS, INC., Defendants	] SUMMONS BY] PUBLICATION]]]

TO: DEFENDANT YOO JIN KIM (CHUNG)
SAIPAN KOREANA HOTEL, INC.
DEFENDANT PACIFIC TOWERS, INC.

Pursuant to the *Order for Service by Publication* entered by the Court on May 17, 2016 (filed May 23, 2016) YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and notified to file any answer you wish to make to the Complaint to Terminate Lease of Real Property and Return Possession, within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons upon you, and to deliver or mail a copy of your answer to Plaintiff Jose S. Rios, whose address is P.O. Box 500107, Saipan, MP 96950, as soon as practicable after filing your answer or sending it to the Clerk of Court for filing.

Your answer should be in writing and filed with the Clerk of this Court at Susupe, Saipan. It may be prepared and signed for you by your counsel and sent to the Clerk of this Court by messenger or mail. It is not necessary for you to appear personally until further notice. If you fail to file an answer in accordance with this Summons, judgment by default may be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

By order of the above Court:

Guam's Bordallo awarded Montgomery Medal

HAGÅTÑA, Guam—Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo was recently awarded to the Montgomery Medal by the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS). Bordallo was presented the award by members of the Guam National Guard Association which is an affiliate of the National Guard Association of the United States during a ceremony on Thursday, June 2, 2016 attended by Brigadier General Roderick Leon Guerrero, the Adjutant General, Guam National Guard, Colonel Diron Cruz, as well as by other distinguished members of the Guam National Guard, family and friends.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo being presented the Montgomery Award by members of the National Guard Association of the United States during a ceremony on Thursday, June 2, 2016. She is pictured with Brigadier General Roderick Leon Guerrero, the Adjutant General, Guam National Guard, Colonel Diron Cruz, Major Manuel Duenas, Jr., president of the National Guard Association of Guam, and other members of the Guam National Guard.

The Montgomery Medal is named after Gillespie V. "Sonny" Montgomery, who is remembered for his advocacy for veterans and contributions such as establishing the peacetime GI education bill and was staunch advocate for the National Guard. The Montgomery Award is presented to individuals or organizations who provides outstanding support in the pursuit of the NGAUS objectives and the medal is awarded only once within a calendar year. Congresswoman Bordallo was chosen as a recipient of the Montgomery Medal in recognition of her work to support and grow the Guam National Guard by securing funding for facilities and helping soldiers and airmen remain ready to serve Guam and the nation. It also recognized her efforts to support the National Guard State Partnership Program and her advocacy to increase and expand the missions that the Guam National Guard supports. Congresswoman Bordallo is the 11th awardee of the NGAUS Montgomery Medal.

"I am honored and humbled to be the recipient of the National Guard Association of the United States' Montgomery Medal. The National Guard plays a critical role in maintaining our national security both at home and abroad. As a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee, I am committed to ensuring that the National Guard around the country, especially our Guam National Guard, have the resources and training needed to support their missions. I will also continue to advocate on behalf of our Guam National Guard to expand the roles and missions that they participate in support of national objectives. As we continue the Asia-Pacific rebalance strategy it is only appropriate that the Guam National Guard continues to support this endeavor in a variety of ways. Further, throughout my years in Congress, I have made numerous trips to visit our deployed soldiers and airman, many of whom are deployed Guardsmen, and have witnessed firsthand the sacrifices they make for our island and nation. I thank NGAUS and the Guam National Guard for this award and their continued service to our nation." ***(PR)***

APTC celebrates success of students

More than 150 students were rewarded for their hard work after successfully graduating from the Australia-Pacific Technical College (APTC) in Suva recently.

The graduating students completed their Australian qualifications in 16 different programs.

APTC is an innovative development project funded by the Australian Government, delivering Australian-standard skills and qualifications for a wide range of vocational careers for skilled workers across the Pacific.

Since its establishment in 2007, APTC has over 9500 graduates, of which, more than 2700 graduates are from Fiji.

In delivering his keynote address, Minister for Industry, Trade and Tourism, Honourable Faiyaz Koya told graduates to be active in their youth communities and share their ideas to inspire other young people and also help address modern day challenges.

"Your contributions will also help Government in ensuring that our policies and plans address issues that directly impact your lives and build a better and smarter Fiji," he added.

Koya encouraged graduates to step up and realize their potential. He highlighted some examples of APTC alumni from the region who had gone to make significant contributions towards improving the lives of their families and their communities.

"Share and utilize the knowledge you have accumulated to help develop yourselves, your families, your communities and your nation," he said.

A total of 45 graduates were females including five women who graduated in trades programs. Females were also amongst those who received dual qualifications. Four women were awarded with Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance and Certificate III in Health Services Assistance and 13 with Certificate III in Home and Community Care and Certificate III in Aged Care.

This was the second APTC graduation ceremony to be hosted in Fiji this year. The first ceremony was held in Nadi where 59 students were awarded qualifications in 15 programs.

In her closing remarks, Counselor Bilateral for Fiji and Tuvalu, Christina Munzer encouraged graduates to utilize their skills and knowledge to create positive environments.

"Seize opportunities that will create positive changes in your life, in the welfare of your family that ultimately will enrich your community and your country," said Munzer.

The APTC Fiji campus has been actively involved in a number of activities. One such important activity has been in assisting with relief efforts in Fiji, after Cyclone Winston, which hit the country earlier in February.

In addition to its campus in Fiji, APTC has campuses in Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. ***(PR)***

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Procurement, Delivery, Training and Certification of Brand New Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Equipment For the Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport Project No. CPA-SA-007-16

The Commonwealth Ports Authority is soliciting sealed proposals from qualified companies to procure, deliver, train and certify brand new self-contained breathing (SCBA) equipment for the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Departments at the Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, the Tinian International Airport and the Benjamin Taisacan Manglona International Airport. Proposals are to include procurement, delivery, training and certification of equipment to each respective airport.

The equipment shall include the quantities and details and product specifications as provided within the scope of work. The scope and product data are available for pick up at the CPA Administration Office.

The proposals shall include the following:

1. Letter of interest;
2. Team Members;
3. Related past project performance (include commendations or certifications, if available);
4. Available resources to accomplish the project;
5. Cost proposal (in itemized SOW format); and
6. Valid Business License.

The contract period for procurement and installation will be based on the contractor's proposal. However, liquidated damages of $500.00 shall be assessed the contractor for each calendar day the completion of the project is delayed beyond the acceptance date without approved excuse by CPA.

One original and four copies of all proposals are to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked with the respective RFP description to the office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, 2nd floor of the Arrival Building, Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, no later than 4:30 p.m., FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2016.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid bond issued by a CPA approved surety company, a certified check, or a cashier's check in the amount no less than ten percent (10%) of the total proposal amount. Checks shall be made payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

All responses to this RFP shall take into account any and all taxes that will be charged to the proposer awarded the contract for the project, including excise tax and associated shipping costs.

The procurement is being financed by funds from the Commonwealth Ports Authority. The contract award, if it is to be made, will be made within sixty (60) calendar days from the receipt of proposals. CPA reserves the right to hold the contract award for ninety (90) calendar days from the date of receipt of proposals.

This procurement is made in accordance with the CPA Procurement Rules and Regulations Section 40-50-225. Proposals will be evaluated and scored based on the following criteria:

1.	Total cost for equipment procurement, delivery, training and certification	50%
2.	Experience of the firm on similar or related systems	20%
3.	Qualifications of the principal(s) and assigned staff	20%
4.	Timeframe for delivery, programming, training and certification	10%

Questions and inquiries regarding this Request for Proposals shall be submitted in writing and may be delivered to the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, at the Saipan International Airport, faxed to (670) 234-5962 or emailed to Assistant ARFF Chief William Camacho at bcamacho@cpa.gov.mp.

CPA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals submitted for: (a) any of the reasons set forth in this Request for Proposals; or (b) any of the reasons set forth in the CPA Procurement Rules and Regulations regarding bid rejection or cancellation; or (c) sufficient justification exists that awarding the project contract would not be in the best interest of CPA. CPA further reserves the right to waive any defects in said proposals if in its sole opinion to do so would be in CPA's best interest.

All proposals shall become property of the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

/s/ JOSE R. LIFOIFOI
Board Chairman/Contracting Officer

Date: June 3, 2016

Commonwealth Development Authority
P.O. Box 502149, Saipan, MP 96950
Tel: (670) 234-6245/6293/7145/7146 | Fax: (670) 235-7147
www.developcnmi.com

INVITATION TO BID

The Commonwealth Development Authority (CDA) will put up for sale, its 2002 Nissan Frontier XE located at its ROTA OFFICE. The sell will be made by competitive sealed bids. Minimum bid acceptable for the vehicle is $3,500 and bids should be submitted by 10:00 a.m., Friday, June 17, 2016 at the CDA Office, Tamara & 7 Brothers, Songsong, Rota. Bid opening and award to the highest bidder will follow right after the 10:00 a.m. closing. All bids will be publicly announced.

Full payment of the bid amount is required before the property can be removed from the CDA Office. Such payment shall be in U.S. Currency or Certified Check made payable on demand in U.S. Currency to the Commonwealth Development Authority. Payment must be received by 3:00 p.m., June 17, 2016. Failure to make full payment will cause award to be null and void and the next highest bid will be considered.

CDA reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason and to waive any defects in said bids or any of them if in its sole opinion to do so would be in the best interest of CDA.

The vehicle will be sold AS IS and without warranty. Inspection of the vehicle is recommended and may be arranged with Ms. Nanette Estrada at contact no. 532-9408 any time between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays except holidays. Interested bidders are asked to pick up a bid form at the CDA office.

VEHICLE SPECIFICATION

MAKE:	Nissan
MODEL:	Frontier XE
COLOR:	White
YEAR:	2002
MECHANICAL:	6 Cylinder/Automatic/Power Steering and Power Brakes
MILEAGE:	67,699
OTHER FEATURES:	Air Condition – Not working AM/FM Radio Cassette 2 new black tires
CONDITION:	Fair

/s/ **MANUEL A. SABLAN**
Executive Director

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INVITATION TO BID

The Commonwealth Development Authority will put up for sale, its 2005 Toyota Echo located at its SAIPAN OFFICE. The sell will be made by competitive sealed bids. Minimum bid acceptable for the vehicle is $2,500 and bids should be submitted by 10:00 a.m., Friday, June 17, 2016 at the First Floor, CDA Conference Room, CDA Building, Oleai, Saipan. Bid opening and award to the highest bidder will follow right after the 10:00 a.m. closing. All bids will be publicly announced.

Full payment of the bid amount is required before the property can be removed from the CDA Office. Such payment shall be in U.S. Currency or Certified Check made payable on demand in U.S. Currency to the Commonwealth Development Authority. Payment must be received by 3:00 p.m., June 17, 2016. Failure to make full payment will cause award to be null and void and the next highest bid will be considered.

CDA reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason and to waive any defects in said bids or any of them if in its sole opinion to do so would be in the best interest of CDA.

The vehicle will be sold AS IS and without warranty. Inspection of the vehicle is recommended and may be arranged with Mr. Oscar Camacho contact no. 234-6245 ext.306 any time between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays except holidays. Interested bidders are asked to pick up a bid form at the CDA office.

VEHICLE SPECIFICATION

MAKE:	TOYOTA
MODEL:	Echo
COLOR:	Gray
YEAR:	2005
MECHANICAL:	4 Cylinder/Automatic/Power Steering and Power Brakes Manual Window
MILEAGE:	73,955
OTHER FEATURES:	Air Condition AM/FM Radio/CD
CONDITION:	Fair

/s/ **MANUEL A. SABLAN**
Executive Director

NMC 'Cash for College' workshop tomorrow

Northern Marianas College and College Access Challenge Grant program will be hosting a free "Cash for College" workshop that is aimed at assisting students and their parents in maximizing scholarship opportunities that are available to students seeking to obtain a college education.

The free workshop will be held tomorrow, Saturday, June 18, 2016 at the NMC campus, Building A in As Terlaje. The workshop will be an ongoing session, so participants can stop by anytime between 9am and 3pm.

Participants will be provided with personal, step-by-step assistance in completing college financial aid forms, focusing especially on forms for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the Saipan Higher Education Financial Aid (SHEFA), and the CNMI Scholarship.

Staff members from the College's Office of Admissions and Records will also be present to provide information and assistance with the NMC application process.

In addition, those who participate in the workshop will qualify to have their NMC application fee and placement test fees waived for the upcoming Fall 2016 semester. This waiver represents a savings of up to $75.

Although not required, it is recommended that workshop participants bring a valid form of identification (e.g., a valid passport, birth certificate, or green card), three official transcripts, signed 2014 1040 tax form (2014 W-2 statements if you and/or your parents did not or will not file taxes), and/or proof of CNMI residency for 2014 and 2015 (e.g., CNMI 1040 tax form, employment verification from your employer, official transcripts, voters certification, etc.)

The free "Cash for College" workshop is made possible by the financial support of the U.S. Department of Education's College Access Challenge Grant program. This federal program aims to increase the number of students from underrepresented minority populations enrolled in college.

For additional information, contact the NMC Financial Aid Office at 237-6792 or email daisy.propst@marianas.edu. ***(PR)***

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Northern Marianas College employees prepare "Cash for College" instructional guides, which will be handed out to all participants at this Saturday's Cash for College Workshop at Northern Marianas College. The Cash for College event helps students find money for college by offering one-to-one assistance in filling forms and providing other free services. There is no cost to attend Cash for College.

GPPC, INC. Job Opening:

Mechanical Engineering Technicians (03) $6.50-$7.00/hour
Must be a college graduate with minimum of 2 years experience as a Mechanical Engineering Technician with knowledge on how to apply Theory and Principles of Mechanical Engineering in planning, designing and overseeing construction, structure maintenance and other facilities under the directions of engineering staff or physical scientists.

Truck Driver (05) $6.10 - $7.45/hour
Must be a high school graduate with minimum of 2-5 years experiences as a Truck Driver with knowledge on how to drive a Tractor Trailer or Trucks that has a capacity of at least 26,000 GVW for various construction materials transportation

Automobile Electrician (04) $6.10 - $7.00/hour
Must have at least 5 years work related experience. Able to diagnose and undertake electrical repairs on a wide variety of vehicles and heavy equipment. With knowledge on electric motor, alternator, starter and motor rewinding.

Heavy Equipment Mechanic (05) $6.10 - $7.50/hour
Must be a high school graduate with minimum of 5 years experience as Heavy Equipment Mechanic. With knowledge how to diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul automobiles, hydraulic, and pneumatic equipment, such as cranes, bulldozers, graders, excavators, trucks and conveyors, typically used in constructions.

Heavy Equipment Operator (20) $6.10 - $7.50/hour
Must be a high school graduate with minimum of 2 years experience as HE Operator. With knowledge how to operate several types of power construction equipment, such as motor graders, bulldozers, trenching machine, scrapers, compressors, pumps, derricks, shovels, tractors, or front-end loaders to excavate, move, and grade earth, erect structures, or pour concretes and etc.

Mason (20) $6.10 - $7.50/hour
Must be a high school graduate with minimum of 3 years experience as Mason. With knowledge how to do smooth and finish surfaces of poured concrete, such as floors, walks, sidewalks, roads, or curbs using a variety of hand and power tools. Align forms for sidewalks, curbs, or gutters; patch voids; and use saws to cut expansion joints.

Welder (5) $6.10 - $7.50/hour
Must be a high school graduate with minimum of 2 years experience as a Welder. With knowledge how to use hand-welding, flame-cutting, hand soldering, or brazing equipment to weld or join metal components or to fill holes, indentations, or seams of fabricated metal products.

Accounting Technician (05) $7.00- $9.33 per hour
College graduate with a minimum of 2-5 years experience as an Accounting Technician. Capable of performing combines routine calculations, posting and verifying duties to obtain primary financial data to maintain accounting records.

Architectural Drafter Technician (06) $6.10 - $8.25/hour
College graduate with a minimum of 5 years experience as an Architectural Technician. Capable of preparing detailed drawings of architectural/structural features of buildings as well as drawings and photographic relief maps used in civil engineering projects such as highways, bridges and other public works. Knowledgeable on building materials engineering practices/mathematics used to complete drawings drafts.

Machinist (02) $6.10 - $7.50/hour
Must be a high school graduate with minimum of 2-5 years experience as Heavy Equipment Mechanic. With knowledge how to diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul automobiles, hydraulic, and pneumatic equipment, such as cranes, bulldozers, graders, excavators, trucks and conveyors, typically used in constructions.

All of the above positions must be able to work flexible time. Interested applicants may apply at GPPC,INC. office located at As Perdido, Saipan. A copy of police clearance must be attached to the application. Incomplete application will NOT be accepted. Skills, testing maybe required.
Salaries will commensurate with qualifications and experience.
GPPC, INC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
Closing Date: June 27, 2016

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Restaurant General Manager (1)

Classification: Full-Time, Exempt, 50 hours per week
Department: Operations
Reports To: Area General Manager (AGM)

Summary of Responsibilities
Prioritize, directs and coordinates the activities of the restaurant to continually strengthen its Brand position and maximize its sales and profitability.

Essential Accountabilities
- People:
  - Achieves management staffing and development goals to plan
  - Has active succession plan in place for all positions
  - Improves employee morale through monitoring and showing urgency in caring for employees.
  - Improves staff performance through frequent personal and team coaching
  - Reduces incidences and claims by making safety everyone's top priority
  - Ensures compliance with all applicable laws
- Financials:
  - Achieves sales and profit targets to plan
  - Corrects daily financial deficiencies with urgency.
  - Drives year-over-year growth in sales and profit
- Operations:
  - Delivers/improves delivery of QSC to franchise operational standards
  - Raises the bar in operational execution
- Assets:
  - Corrects all asset deficiencies with urgency
  - Eliminates any potential for liability with urgency
- Availability
  - Open availability.
  - Minimum 5 day, 50 hour work week.
  - Vehicle required.

Other Functions
Performs other duties as assigned.

Required Skills
- Analytical: Able to analyze reports and correct deficient areas efficiently.
- Problem Solving: Able to implement TOSIDPAR problem solving techniques to achieve desired results.
- Organization & Planning: Able to organize priorities and develop/execute plans achieving desired results.
- Coaching: Able to develop the skills of subordinates to perform at a higher level
- Team Building: Able to stabilize staffing and build team bench.

Education/Experience
High school diploma and previous management experience required.

Physical and/or Medical Requirements
Must obtain a Tuberculosis Clearance Certificate. Requires standing and walking for the entire workday.

Working Conditions
Minimal hazards. General restaurant working conditions.

Assistant Restaurant General Manager (2)

Classification: Full-Time, Non-Exempt, 40-45 hours per week
Department: Operations
Reports To: Restaurant General Manager (RGM)

Summary of Responsibilities
The Assistant Restaurant General Manager reports directly to the Restaurant General Manager. The ARGM assists the RGM in the achievement of the people, financial and operational goals of the restaurant.

Essential Accountabilities
- People:
  - Assists RGM in achieving restaurant's staffing and development goals
  - Assists RGM in monitoring/ improving employee morale
  - Personally coaches staff
  - Ensures safety is everyone's top priority
  - Ensures compliance with all applicable laws
- Financial
  - Assists RGM in achieving sales and profits to plan.
  - Displays urgency to correct daily financial control deficiencies
  - Strives to drive year-upon-year growth in sales and profits
- Operations
  - Delivers/ improves delivery of QSC to franchise operational standards
  - Raises the bar in operational execution
- Assets:
  - Ensures facilities are maintained to franchise standard on a daily basis
  - Displays awareness of asset deficiencies and urgency to correct them
  - Displays awareness and urgency to eliminate any potential for liability
- Availability
  - Open availability.
  - Minimum 5 day, 40 - 45 hour work week.
  - Vehicle required.

Other Functions
Performs other duties as assigned.

Education/Experience
High school diploma and previous management experience required.

Physical and/or Medical Requirements
Must obtain a Tuberculosis Clearance Certificate. Requires standing and walking for the entire workday.

Working Conditions
Minimal hazards. General restaurant working conditions.

Shift Manager (2)

Classification: Full Time, Non-Exempt, 32-40 hours per week
Department: Operations
Reports To: Assistant Restaurant General Manager (ARGM)
Restaurant General Manager (RGM)

Summary of Responsibilities
The Shift Manager reports directly to the Restaurant General Manager. The SM assists the RGM in the achievement of the restaurant's people, operational and financial goals.

Essential Accountabilities
- People
  - Assists RGM in achieving restaurant's staffing and development goals
  - Assists RGM in monitoring/improving employee morale
  - Personally coaches staff
  - Ensures safety is everyone's top priority
  - Ensures compliance to all applicable laws
- Financial
  - Assists RGM in achieving sales and profits to plan
  - Displays urgency in correcting daily financial control deficiencies
- Operations
  - Delivers/improves delivery of QSC to franchise operational standards.

Other Functions
Performs other duties as assigned.

Education/Experience
High school diploma and previous management experience required.

Physical and/or Medical Requirements
Must obtain a Tuberculosis Clearance Certificate. Requires standing and walking for the entire workday.

Working Conditions
Minimal hazards. General restaurant working conditions.

Delivery Driver (7)

Classification: Full Time, Non-Exempt, 32-40 hours per week
Part Time, Non-Exempt, less than 32 hours per week
Department: Operations
Reports To: Manager In Charge (MIC) / Dispatcher

Summary of Responsibilities
Delivers customer's order in a timely and safe manner within accordance of Pizza Hut guidelines and compliance with State and Federal traffic laws.

Essential Functions
- Drives competently and complies with all traffic laws.
- Delivers products in a timely manner with accuracy and courteousness.
- Collects checks, cash or credit card slips to properly tender order.
- Performs secondary duties such as washing dishes, cleaning, prep and cooking duties.
- Keeps car and work area clean and organized throughout shift.

Other Functions
Performs other duties as assigned.

Education/Experience
High school diploma preferred.

Abilities, Knowledge, and Skills
Must be at least 18 years of age. Must possess a valid CNMI driver's license with a minimum of 2 years driving experience. Must have an acceptable driving record. Must provide own insured vehicle for deliveries. Able to read and follow road maps. Must be able to speak, read, write and understand English. Must be able to communicate clearly, courteously and efficiently with customers.

Physical and/or Medical Requirements
Must obtain a Tuberculosis Clearance Certificate. Position requires well-paced mobility for a minimum of four hours. Requires driving, standing and walking for most of the workday. Must be able to lift 25 lbs. occasionally.

Working Conditions
Minimal hazards. General restaurant working conditions.

EMPLOYER'S RIGHTS: *This job description does not list all the duties of the job. You may be asked by your supervisors or managers to perform other duties. You will be evaluated in part based upon your performance of the tasks listed in this job description. The employer has the right to revise this job description at any time. The job description is not a contract for employment, and either you or the employer may terminate employment at any time, for any reason.*

All interested applicants may get application at Pizza Hut Restaurant in Gualo Rai • Closing Date: June 21, 2016

WestPac voices concerns about sustaining island fishing traditions

HONOLULU, Hawaii—Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council concluded its 166th meeting Friday at Tumon Bay, US Territory of Guam, with discussions focused on the challenges of keeping the tradition of fishing alive in the U.S. Pacific Islands.

During public testimony, Manny Duenas, a former council chair and long-time president of the Guam Fishermen's Cooperative Association, covered a gamut of issues facing Guam's fishermen, including competition with purse-seiners for tuna; tiger shark attacks on net fishermen; competition with Micronesian fishermen from the U.S. Freely Associated States who reside on Guam; the inability to continue sociocultural traditions related to sharing of green sea turtle; and the threat of losing prime fishing grounds due to military build-up, among others.

Duenas recited arguments by the U.S. Congress during the ratification of the Treaty of Paris of 1898, which ceded Guam, Puerto Rico and the Philippines to the United States, implying the statements are still applicable today.

This Treaty will make us a vulgar, commonplace empire, controlling subject races and vassal states, in which one class must forever rule and other classes must forever obey.—**Sen. George Frisbie Hoar**

Providence has given the United States the duty of extending Christian civilization. We come as ministering angels, not despots.—**Sen. Knute Nelson**

Council members from Hawaii also expressed concerns about the future of fisheries in their islands and the lack of local resident control, particularly in regards to the proposed expansion of the Papahanaumokuakea Marine National Monument (MNM) in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI). The proposal would increase the monument fivefold from 140,000 square miles to 625,325 square miles. From a fisherman's perspective, it could reduce the available fishing grounds in the U.S. exclusive economic zone (EEZ) waters around Hawaii from 63 percent to 15 percent.

"The density of hooks in the remaining EEZ left open around Hawaii would be immense," noted Council senior scientist Paul Dalzell.

"The average depth of the proposed expansion is 3 miles deep," Council Chair Edwin Ebisui Jr. pointed out. "Fishing boats wouldn't even cast a shadow on the bottom ... Where is the conservation benefit? The only effect of expansion is detrimental effects to economy, food security and food production."

Ebisui recalled that when the NWHI monument was first established it overlay the Protected Species Zone that the Council had established in the early 1990s, within which longline fishing was prohibited. "It is a validation that what the Council did 15 years prior to the designation of the monument was something correct."

While longline fishing was prohibited in the Protected Species Zone, about 15 bottomfish vessels with a maximum vessel length of 60 feet were permitted to fish in the waters. When the monument closed the waters to the bottomfish fishermen, the pro-monument supporters said it was no big deal, Ebisui recalled. But

it was a big deal, he added, as that fishery provided 50 percent of the locally landed bottomfish. Ebisui said the monument supporters said you can import. "And we do," he added, "from Indonesia," a country renowned for enslaving fishermen. "By encouraging imports we are encouraging Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing and slave fishing," Ebisui said. "Why are we doing that and hamstringing our own domestic, clean fisheries? The picture does not make sense."

Ebisui said that at a recent meeting with the White House's Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), the Fishery Council was told that there is a vast distinction between preservation under the Antiquities Act, which allows the U.S. President to proclaim a national monument, and conservation and management under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA). Ebisui said the Council asked the CEQ representatives, "Will there be a point under Antiquities Act for science, reality and fact?" Ebisui said, they didn't respond, which he took to mean that science, fact and national and public benefit does not matter.

"What this looks like is the beginning of the dismantling of MSA," predicted council vice chair McGrew Rice (Hawaii). "What we will have in Hawaii is protected species. Our commercial fishery will be gone."

"Truth is these monuments have nothing to do with conservation," said council vice chair John Gourley from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). "It is mainland politics that one person before he leaves office can designate these at no cost, with no National Environmental Policy Act and no Congressional oversight, to pay off the environmentalists for their legacy."

"We had our fill with the Pew [Charitable Trusts]," Gourley added. "They manipulated data, they lied... it was amazing the misinformation they provided to the people of the Marianas to trick them to go along with the [Marianas Trench] monument."

Council member Taulapapa William Sword of American Samoa echoed similar concerns. "American Samoa is very afraid as I'm sure they are here in the Marianas that these folks will run all over us." The Antiquities Act was used to create the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument, encompassing 10,156 square nautical miles and overlaying the Rose Atoll National Wildlife Refuge. The Territory also in 2012 saw the national marine sanctuary in American Samoa expand from 0.25 square mile to 13,581 square miles.

The U.S. Pacific Islands accounts for virtually all of the nation's no-take marine protected area (MPA) waters. In addition to no-take MPAs within EEZs, environmental groups are encouraging the designation of 30 percent of the high seas as no-take MPAs through an international legally binding instrument under the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction.

After deliberating, the council voted to relay its concerns to the Department of State regarding the UN proposal for high seas MPAs, as it would further close off available fishing grounds. The Council has already written to President Barack Obama opposing the proposed NWHI monument expansion.

The council additionally made the following recommendations regarding Hawaii, pelagic and international fisheries, among others:

To ask the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center to develop a study of the socioeconomic impacts on the Hawaii bottomfish fishery by the State's Bottomfish Restricted Fishing Areas, which straddle state and federal waters.

Ask NMFS Pacific Islands Regional Office (PIRO) to expedite completion of the administrative process needed to specify the 2016 Participating Territory bigeye specifications under the Amendment 7 framework of the Pelagic Fishery Ecosystem Plan so as to avoid an implementation lag, which resulted in a two-month closure of the fishery last year. Current forecasts suggest the Hawaii longline fishery may reach the US quota of 3,554 metric tons in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean between late July and mid-August. Amendment 7 would allow the US Pacific Territories to transfer a portion of their bigeye quota to federally permitted longline vessels in Hawaii.

Ask that NMFS provide a full presentation on the impact of Effort Limit Area for Purse Seine (ELAPS) on the American Samoa economy as soon as reasonably possible. NMFS reported that preliminary results suggest that there were impacts from the closure on the American Samoa economy and a connection between U.S. purse-seine vessels and the broader American Samoa economy.

At the close of the meeting, the council recognized outgoing council member Taulapapa William Sword of American Samoa, who has completed the allowable three consecutive three-year terms on the council.

Recommendations by the council that are regulatory in nature are transmitted to the Secretary of Commerce for final approval. The council was established by Congress under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act in 1976 to manage domestic fisheries operating seaward of State waters around Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, the CNMI and the U.S. Pacific Island Remote Island Areas. For more information on the Council meeting, go to www.wpcouncil.org or email info.wpcouncil@noaa.gov. ***(PR)***

UOG looking for wild bee colonies

The University of Guam College of Natural and Applied Sciences (CNAS) continues its search for wild bees.

Chris Rosario, research associate with the Western Pacific Tropical Research Center at CNAS, has been surveying bees on Guam and in the region as part of the Honeybee Health Survey funded by USDA-APHIS.

"Bees are not only important as pollinators for many crops and forest plants, they are fascinating insects to study," said Rosario.

Rosario needs help from the public to assist him in finding wild (feral) bee colonies, on Guam, Rota, Tinian, and Saipan, especially if they are causing a problem for neighborhoods or homeowners. He would like to remove the problem bees and give them a new home in a hive.

Individuals, government entities, and private businesses are welcome to contact Rosario regarding feral bees at 487-1640, 735-2068.

For more information about bees, please visit cnasre.uog.edu/bees. ***(PR)***

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Chris Rosario, left, assists a local beekeeper in inspecting a hive.

Ayuyu Battalion hosts JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge

The 8th Brigade KHS Ayuyu Battalion hosted this year's JROTC Summer Camp that was held at Saipan Southern High School campus from June 8 to 11, 2016.

All five high schools in the CNMI—Marianas High School, Saipan Southern High School, Rota High School, Tinian High School, and Kagman High School—gathered for this adventure with a total of 125 cadets and 17 adults total.

The training was leadership geared to give the cadets experience in life skills to apply in their adult life for success.

The cadets were trained on cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR), land navigation orienteering, hasty repelling on a 30-degree slope, rope bridge, and a leadership reaction course where they are trained to handle life situations, difficult tasks, and work as a team.

The cadets also were trained in water survival at the Kan Pacific Swimming Pool where they learned drown proofing and poncho raft construction. The cadets were trained on how to survive in the water with the equipment they have on. The cadets also participated in sports competitions, volleyball and basketball, in which MHS dominated volleyball and SSHS dominated basketball.

A well deserved congratulation goes out for the planning and execution of this camp that took a lot of hard work and months of preparation from the Army instructors, Public School System central office, multiple school unit headquarters (MSU), and cadet command in FT. Lewis Washington. With great teamwork and success, it is the young cadets who will benefit from this training and experience at this year's JROTC cadet leadership challenge (JCLC) 2016. ***(PR)***

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The 8th Brigade KHS Ayuyu Battalion hosted this year's JROTC Summer Camp held at the Saipan Southern High School campus.

A cadet takes a shot at orienteering. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Cadets undergo CPR training. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The leadership reaction course. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The rope bridge exercise. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

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Poncho raft construction at the Marpi pool.

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The swimming competition.

Fiji achieves 1st for Pacific region at United Nations

NOUMEA, New Caledonia—The Pacific Community has welcomed the election of Fiji's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Peter Thomson, as President of the next session of the UN General Assembly.

In congratulating Ambassador Thomson, the Pacific Community Director-General, Dr. Colin Tukuitonga, said this was a momentous occasion for the Pacific Islands in the international arena.

"We are proud and delighted by the election of Fiji Ambassador Peter Thomson to the eminent position of president of the 71st UN General Assembly," Dr Tukuitonga said.

"This reflects the confidence of the international community in Ambassador Thomson to take up this high profile role and oversee the continued revitalization of the work of the General Assembly.

"It's significant in that it's the first time a representative of the Pacific Islands region has become the president-elect and acknowledges the contribution of Small Island Developing States to the UN family.

Thomson

"This is a well-deserved appointment, and SPC stands ready to assist Ambassador Thomson with information and technical support about the Pacific region, as needed," he said.

The president-elect is due to formally take up the role at the start of the next session of the UN General Assembly in September 2016.

Ambassador Thomson has stated that climate change will be a priority issue for him.

SPC was formally granted Permanent Observer status to the UN in December 2014 following the adoption of a resolution by the UN General Assembly.

The resolution enabling SPC to participate as an observer in the sessions and work of the General Assembly was sponsored by Ambassador Thomson on behalf of the Fiji delegation following a decision taken at the 8th Conference of the Pacific Community.

Fiji is one of 26 country and territory members of the Pacific Community. ***(PR)***

Pacific climate change project to feature at European Development Days

SUVA, Fiji—The €11.4 million European Union-funded Global Climate Change Alliance: Pacific Small Islands States (GCCA: PSIS) project implemented by the Pacific Community (SPC) was selected from among 14 proposals from EU delegations and units worldwide by the Directorate for Development Coordination for Asia, Central Asia, Middle East/Gulf and Pacific to feature as one of the displays during the European Development Days (EDD) in Brussels, Belgium, this week.

The "Helping communities adapt to climate change" display at the European Development Days village on 15-16 June will showcase the work of the GCCA: PSIS project in nine countries: Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia , Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Tonga and Tuvalu.

"SPC has developed an informative display that will feature examples of simple, practical and replicable climate change adaptation measures developed through the project that are relevant to small Pacific islands and in particular remote, outer island communities," SPC Geoscience Division Director, Professor Michael Petterson, said.

"Effective partnerships are a critical component to sustainable development in the Pacific and this project is an excellent example of how SPC, as the principal technical and scientific organisation for the region, is working alongside development partners like the European Union and Pacific Island governments to help design and implement tangible, on-the-ground climate change adaption interventions for the region," Prof Petterson added.

EDD is Europe's leading forum on development and international cooperation which brings together around 5000 participants from 140 countries and 1200 organisations involved in development cooperation, human rights and humanitarian aid.

Organized by the European Commission's Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development, the forum fosters the sharing of ideas and experiences in ways that inspire new partnerships and innovative solutions to the world's most pressing challenges.

Among the five themes of EDD: People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace and Partnerships, the GCCA: PSIS stand will focus on the Planet theme, and in particular climate change.

These include a display on solar disinfection (SODIS), which involves placing contaminated water in plastic bottles on a reflective surface in direct sunlight for six hours, after which the water is drinkable. This method is reducing the rates of childhood diarrhoea in the demonstration community of Bairiki in Kiribati, and results in considerable cost savings for residents as they no longer have to boil water.

Another display will feature first flush devices, which ensure the dirt that accumulates on household roofs does not contaminate household rainwater storage tanks, which in many outer islands are the only means of water storage.

Other climate change adaptation interventions in the Pacific will be shared with visitors to the European Development Days through a series of lessons learned videos produced by SPC which originally aired on SPC's TV show, The Pacific Way, which is screened throughout the Pacific.

The videos highlight a variety of different climate change adaptation interventions in the nine different countries. These can be viewed on the SPC YouTube site: https://goo.gl/Prastx

The Global Climate Change Alliance: Pacific Small Island States (GCCA:PSIS) project is a €11.4 million European Union supported project, implemented regionally in partnership with SPC and nationally by each of the nine participating governments in Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Tonga and Tuvalu. ***(PR)***

Strong high-level support for first Pacific NCD Summit

SUVA, Fiji—Testament to the urgency and strong commitment to effectively tackle the non-communicable diseases (NCDs) crisis in the Pacific region, over 120 high-level delegates representing Pacific Island countries and international development partners will gather in Tonga next week for the inaugural Pacific NCD Summit.

It is being jointly organized by the Government of Tonga and the Pacific Community, supported by the Australian Government, New Zealand Aid Programme, Government of the United States, World Bank, World Diabetes Foundation (WDF), World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The Summit (20-22 June) will be opened by the King of Tonga, His Majesty King Tupou VI, and will include an address by UNDP Administrator Helen Clark on prioritising NCDs within the context of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Also participating in the Summit will be the President of Kiribati, H.E. Taneti Maamau; Tonga's Prime Minister, Akilisi Pohiva; ministers of health from some 14 Pacific countries; WDF Managing Director, Dr Anders Dejgaard, and high-level participants from the governments of Australia, New Zealand and the USA, the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, WHO and the World Bank.

"It will be a privilege to be at the Pacific NCD Summit, a unique and needed event held at the epicentre of the global diabetes epidemic," Dr. Dejgaard said.

"I look forward to learning what experts and policy makers from throughout the region have to say about the NCD crisis and how to combat it. The problems you face today will reach the rest of the world in the very near future," the WDF Managing Director said.

The three-day summit agenda will include discussions on national sustainable development priorities and government commitments, with one day devoted to diabetes, as well as covering youth and NCDs, the Pacific NCD Roadmap, the Healthy Islands Vision Monitoring Framework and the role of the media in addressing this crisis.

"Despite all our current efforts and declarations, non-communicable diseases, such as heart disease, cancers, lung disease and diabetes are still the leading cause of death in the Pacific accounting for up to 75 per cent of deaths," the Pacific Community Director-General, Dr. Colin Tukuitonga, said.

"We need the added muscle of all sectors of society working together, including funding support and commitment from governments and development partners," Dr Tukuitonga said.

With the theme Translating Global and Regional Commitments into Local Action, the Pacific NCD Summit will be hosted at the Fa'onelua Convention Centre in Nuku'alofa.

The Summit agenda, program for the opening and other information about the Pacific NCD Summit can be found online:

English: https://www.spc.int/en/ncd-summit.html

French: https://www.spc.int/fr/ncd-summit.html. ***(PR)***

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

CCA board meets next Tuesday

The Commonwealth Cancer Association's board of directors will be holding its regular Board of Directors meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 3pm at the CCA Conference Room. Agenda includes reports from the president and program updates. All board meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the Commonwealth Cancer Association at 682-0050 or email at ccamarianas@gmail.com. ***(PR)***

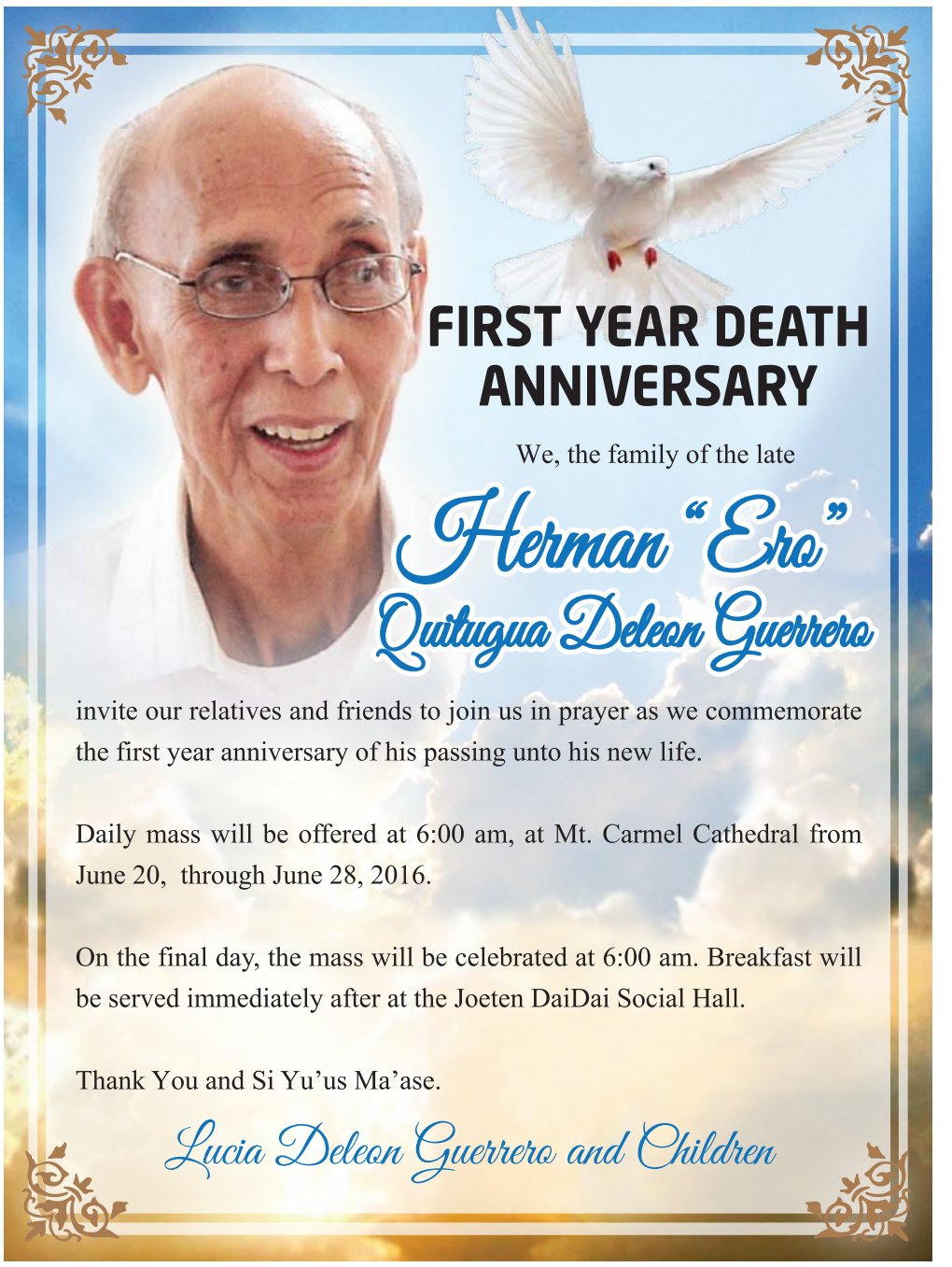
Kagman HS 4Q report card distribution today

Kagman High School's 4th quarter report card will be ready for pickup today, June 17, from the school's main office. This report card will include your child's progress in reading and math. The report card will include reports from the Achieve3000 reading program, Star reading, and Star Math programs. These are the programs KHS uses to monitor and measure student academic achievement and growth.

KHS is also accepting ongoing registration for School Year 2016-2017. Please ensure your child's schedule is secure by registering by July 8, 2016. Registered student schedules will be made available at the orientations:

- Freshman orientation on Aug. 11, 1pm at KHS café
- Sophomore orientation on Aug. 11, 2016, 2:30pm at KHS café
- Junior orientation on Aug. 12, 1pm at KHS café
- Senior orientation on Aug. 12, 2:30pm at KHS cafe

School opens on Aug. 15, 2016! Enjoy your summer! ***(PR)***


FIRST YEAR DEATH ANNIVERSARY
We, the family of the late
Herman "Ero"
Quitugua Deleon Guerrero
invite our relatives and friends to join us in prayer as we commemorate the first year anniversary of his passing unto his new life.
Daily mass will be offered at 6:00 am, at Mt. Carmel Cathedral from June 20, through June 28, 2016.
On the final day, the mass will be celebrated at 6:00 am. Breakfast will be served immediately after at the Joeten DaiDai Social Hall.
Thank You and Si Yu'us Ma'ase.
Lucia Deleon Guerrero and Children

Life & Style

LOCO & TACO

Smoked meats and Mexican food

By JON PEREZ
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REPORTER

Loco & Taco opens today with management hoping to get their fair share of customers in Saipan's already crowded restaurant industry. Loco & Taco is located at the former N@nchan Japanese restaurant in the heart of the island's tourist district.

General manager Sungnam Lee is confident that they would thrive with not much competition of Mexican-style and smoked food restaurants on the island. "We're positive with our chances despite a lot of restaurants opening. There are no other Mexican-style restaurants on Saipan."

Lee added that what also makes Loco & Taco distinct is their smoked fish and meats done in their very own curing room where they use wood from coconut, mango, and Tangan-Tangan trees.

"I have friends in Guam who told us to be particular with the wood that we're going to use. These three were our choices that give our meat a different flavor. Aside from Guam, this type of restaurant can also be found in Hawaii and Japan," said Lee, who added that they put in small amounts of Tangan-Tangan wood since it burns faster.

"We don't want burnt meat since we have different ways of processing our food. Take for example our smoked fish with the processing alone takes us a week," Lee said.

Their staff prepare the fish by drying it on the first day before marinating and putting it in the chiller the following day. They will then take out the fish, wash it with water, and let it dry again on Day 3.

The fish will then spend three days inside the smokehouse before having it vacuum packed and set aside inside the refrigerator to lock in its freshness. "In this way, it remains fresh when we cook it and serve it to our customers," said Lee.

Aside from the usual Mexican food like tacos, taquitos, nachos, and other Mexican favorites, they also have their originals like smoked burger and pulled pork burger. They smoked the patty and added the cheese until the meat is cooked and the cheese melts.

Hitoshi Narita, the chief executive officer of Solution & Investment, said their group thought of the idea of opening this type of restaurant on Saipan. They first discussed the proposal and deliberated on the concept of having Saipan's very own Mexican and smokehouse restaurant.

He said that their specific instructions to the contractors is to keep the island theme with the roof taking three months to complete since the cogon grass, found on Mt. Tapochao, needs to be dried first before being put into place.

The interior remains almost the same, except for the repainting and the other decorations, while the exterior and façade is completely new as they're utilizing the warmer Thomas Edison lights. The entire establishment can fit 178 people.

Loco & Taco offers lunch buffet from 11am to 2pm at $12 each, while their dinner, a la carte, is from 5pm to 12am. They also have Happy Hour from 5pm to 8pm with $1 off on all drinks. For more information and reservations, call 233-5233.

Loco & Taco is the newest entry to the island's growing restaurant industry. SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Loco & Taco's chicken taquitos. SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Loco & Taco's Mexican-themed interior. SAIPAN TRIBUNE

Loco & Taco's fall-off-the bone smoked ribs. SAIPAN TRIBUNE

A long life lived well is inspiration for others

DEAR ABBY: I read your column and I feel for the people who have problems. I have no worries. Although my life has been far from perfect and no bed of roses, here I am at 95 with no serious physical, spiritual, emotional, family or economic problems.

I grew up during the Depression, had wonderful parents, worked my way through college, and was married to a loving woman for 67 years. I have four successful children and their spouses and several industrious grandchildren. I also have met a terrific widow who shares the current daily obstacles.

Service in the Navy during WWII and Korea seemed at the time to limit my future career, but in retrospect were experiences I cherish. Science has been good to me. My knee replacement still permits tennis, three stents keep me alive, vertebra shots eliminate severe pain and I have had a couple of other minor corrections.

Yes, I know, Abby—I am the luckiest person alive.

FRANK IN ATLANTA

DEAR FRANK: I agree. And I can't help but wonder if part of your luck has to do with your attitude when you were faced with problems that others would consider to be adversities. We can all learn from your example.

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DEAR ABBY: I know I have an issue with alcohol. I have read about local AA groups, but they don't seem right for me because I'm an atheist. When I went to my doctor, along with my supportive husband, she had no suggestions to offer. I know I need help beyond what friends and family can provide. Do you have any ideas for me?

TAKING THE STEP IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR TAKING THE STEP: I certainly do, because there are secular alternatives to AA.

SMART Recovery offers a four-point program aimed at motivation to abstain, coping with cravings, managing negative emotions and finding a life balance. It has face-to-face support groups worldwide, as well as daily online meetings. Like AA, lifetime abstinence is the goal, and meetings and help are free of charge. Unlike AA, lifetime abstinence need not require lifetime attendance at meetings. For more information, visit smartrecovery.org.

Another group, Women for Sobriety, may be of interest to you because it is non-theistic and aims to empower women and minorities. The website, womenforsobriety.org, does not list its meetings (for reasons of privacy), so in order to find a group, you will have to make contact within the site.

Last, Secular Organizations for Sobriety (aka Save Our Selves) is sometimes described as a 12-step program minus the religious overtones. To find a list of meetings, visit sossobriety.org.

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Good advice for everyone—teens to seniors—is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for $7 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

DEAR ABBY

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Pastimes

Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson

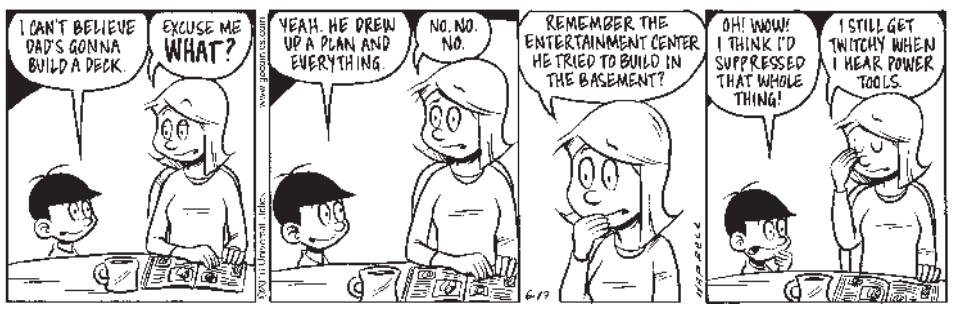
HURRY UP, CALVIN. OUR RESERVATION IS FOR 7:00.
CAN HOBBES COME TO THE RESTAURANT?
NO.
WHY NOT?
WE'RE AFRAID HE MIGHT EAT SOMEONE. LET'S GO.
THAT'S RIGHT. YOU PROBABLY WOULD, WOULDN'T YOU?
I CAN NEVER STAY ON A DIET IN A RESTAURANT.

Garfield®

By Jim Davis

Adam@home

By Bryan Basset


I CAN'T BELIEVE DAD'S GONNA BUILD A DECK.
EXCUSE ME WHAT?
YEAH. HE DREW UP A PLAN AND EVERYTHING.
NO. NO. NO.
REMEMBER THE ENTERTAINMENT CENTER HE TRIED TO BUILD IN THE BASEMENT?
OH! WOW! I THINK I'D SUPPRESSED THAT WHOLE THING!
I STILL GET TWITCHY WHEN I HEAR POWER TOOLS.

The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy

CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

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22 "Lady Oracle" author Margaret
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34 "Exodus" hero
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36 Emerald, for one
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Solution time: 25 mins.

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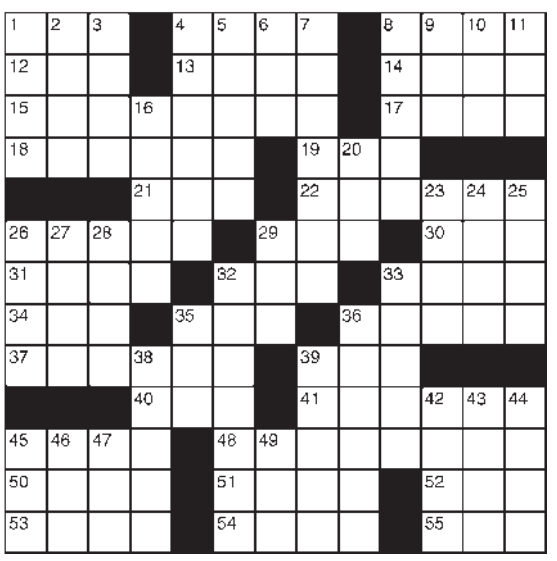
Yesterday's answer 6-17



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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Venus Williams, 36; Will Forte, 46; Greg Kinnear, 53; Barry Manilow, 73.

Happy Birthday: Make a difference and put your knowledge and experience to the test. Action will be required if you want to make progress. Forge ahead with your plans and align yourself with the people who are vying for the same goals as you. Don't allow anyone to lead you astray or tempt you with empty promises. Trust in your own abilities, not someone else's. Your numbers are 6, 10, 13, 21, 29, 37, 42.

ARIES (*March 21-April 19*): A staycation with someone you love will do you good. Make plans, set a budget and plan to have a blast. It's a perfect opportunity to discuss future plans. The changes you make will turn out better than anticipated. Romance is highlighted. ✪✪✪

TAURUS (*April 20-May 20*): Discuss any problems rationally. Your common sense and willingness to compromise will bode well for your relationship with someone who is important to you. Plan an outing that will stimulate your mind rather than agitate it. ✪✪✪

GEMINI (*May 21-June 20*): Listen, absorb and utilize the information you receive. Don't let your exaggerations drive up the costs of your latest venture. If you want to make personal changes, do your homework and make arrangements that fit your budget. ✪✪✪

CANCER (*June 21-July 22*): Check out all that life has to offer. Trying something new or unfamiliar will spark enthusiasm, allowing you to make positive alterations to the way you live. A short trip will be eye-opening. Don't be afraid to make a move. ✪✪✪✪

LEO (*July 23-Aug. 22*): Refuse to get into a scuffle. Keep your emotions in check and focus on the positive things you can accomplish. A change will do you good, and reconnecting with someone you've worked with in the past will lead to opportunity. ✪✪

VIRGO (*Aug. 23-Sept. 22*): Choose to get out and do things that will broaden your vision of the future. Check out educational possibilities or consider a move to an area that is more conducive to your likes, skills and future dreams. ✪✪✪✪

LIBRA (*Sept. 23-Oct. 22*): Look for a bargain, but do your research and recognize the difference between a good and a poor deal. Travel plans or getting together with someone you can learn from is favored. Don't let temptation get the best of you. ✪✪✪

SCORPIO (*Oct. 23-Nov. 21*): Your emotions will be difficult to control. Before engaging in a conversation that touches on sensitive issues, consider how much you want to reveal. It's better to gather information to see where everyone else stands before sharing your personal views. ✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS (*Nov. 22-Dec. 21*): Travel is best kept to a minimum. Confusion and delays will arise, leaving you racing to recover lost time. Stick close to home and make positive alterations that will increase your productivity, not slow it down. Romance is encouraged. ✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN (*Dec. 22-Jan. 19*): Getting involved in fundraising on behalf of those less fortunate than you will put you in the spotlight. A powerful draw or connection to someone you encounter will change your way of thinking about future partnerships. ✪✪✪✪

AQUARIUS (*Jan. 20-Feb. 18*): Keep life simple, but playful. Don't let what others do stop you from following your dreams. Use your intelligence and unique way of thinking to bring about positive changes at home. Serious talks will result in making better choices. ✪✪✪✪

PISCES (*Feb. 19-March 20*): Don't wait for someone else to take care of your responsibilities for you. If you want something done according to your plans, do it yourself. Don't let disappointment result from not taking care of your personal affairs. ✪✪✪✪✪

Birthday Baby: You are passionate, strong-willed and energetic. You are commanding and progressive.

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SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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			4					5
9	6					1		3
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Difficulty Level ★★★★ 6/17

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesterday's SUDOKU Answer

7	4	6	2	5	1	9	8	3
2	5	9	8	4	3	1	7	6
3	8	1	9	7	6	4	5	2
6	2	8	4	1	7	3	9	5
9	1	5	3	6	2	7	4	8
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1	6	4	7	2	5	8	3	9

Difficulty Level ★★★ 6/16

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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

TEAM TRYOUTS — Solution: 10 letters

E	S	A	T	H	L	E	T	E	T	C	L	B	C	E
S	Q	Y	L	P	E	R	U	E	L	L	U	G	O	G
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C	A	P	T	A	I	N	B	R	L	L	K	I	F	L
W	S	P	L	N	I	O	D	E	L	T	L	I	I	L
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T	D	E	E	P	S	T	E	L	B	(A)	S	E	C	E
C	E	T	A	A	I	H	O	M	(S)	L	P	K	E	Y
E	U	P	B	U	C	O	E	(T)	W	O	M	E	N	A
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Yesterday's Answer: Definite

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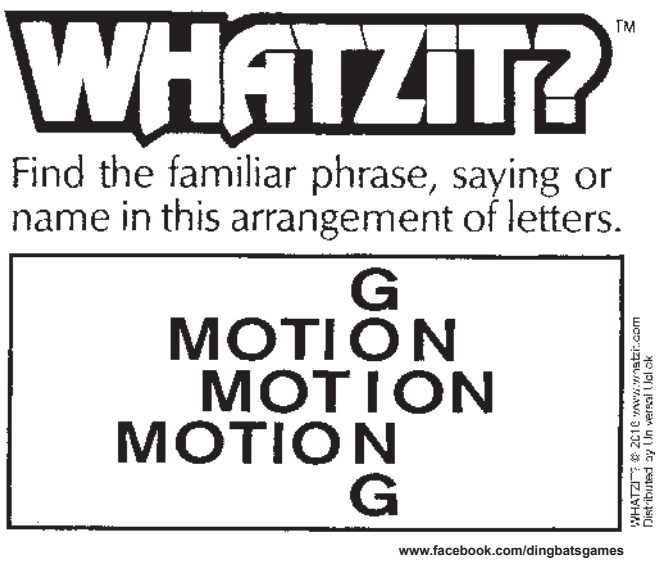

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOSEPH T. CAMACHO, Deceased.	CIVIL ACTION NO. 16-0017
	NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR DECREE OF FINAL DISTRIBUTION
	Date: July 7, 2016
	Time: 9:00 a.m.
	Judge: Joseph N. Camacho

TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC, ANY HEIRS, CLAIMANTS, OR CREDITORS OF THE LATE JOSEPH T. CAMACHO OR HIS ESTATE:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Roselynn Camacho has filed with the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands a Petition for Final Decree of Distribution. The attorney for Petitioner is Charity R. Hodson, Attorney at Law, whose address is Plata Drive, Chalan Kiya, P.O. Box 502607, Saipan, MP 96950.

The hearing on the Petition for Final Decree of Distribution is scheduled to be heard on July 7, 2016, at 9:00a.m. at the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. All interested persons or entities should appear at this hearing.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2016.

/s/ Clerk of Court
Deputy Clerk of Court

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Interested applicants may submit an application and/or resume at our Saipan office located in the C.T.S.I. building, Lower Base, by June 24th, 2016. Applications may also be sent to:info@dqsaipan.com. The successful applicant will be required to provide a police clearance.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Removal of the Derelict Vessels Lady Carolina and Miss Saipan

CPA-RFP-016-16

Notice is hereby given that the Commonwealth Ports Authority ("CPA") is accepting sealed proposals, subject to the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposals ("RFP"), and other contract provisions, for proposals from individuals, professional firms, companies and/or corporations to provide removal and/or salvage services to the Commonwealth in the form of the removal of the vessels Miss Saipan and Lady Carolina from the waters of the Commonwealth. The successful proposer shall facilitate the proper removal and disposal of the vessels in their entirety, in compliance with all applicable environmental, safety, and other applicable laws and regulations. Proposers are expected to submit a proposal for the removal of both vessels. Specifically, the vessels are not to be pulled away and sunk in deeper waters, but instead are to be removed from where they lay either by refloating and transporting the vessels for safe disposal or refit or by salvaging them piecemeal for proper disposal upon shore. Removal of the vessels shall also be done in compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Commonwealth Ports Authority, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

This RFP is issued pursuant to Chapter 40-50, Procurement Rules and Regulations of Title 40 of the Northern Mariana Islands Administrative Code (the "NMIAC"). Title 40, including Chapter 40-50-225, Request for Proposals, is applicable to the process followed by the RFP.

The Proposal Package is available for pick-up beginning May 25th, 2016 at the Office of the Executive Director, 2nd floor, Arrival Building, Saipan International Airport.

The pre-proposal conference is schedules for 10:00 AM, June 17, 2016 at the Seaport Building Conference Room, Port of Saipan. Al proposers interested in submitting a proposal shall attend to gain additional information about the vessels.

Questions and/or clarifications shall be directed to the Executive Director's attention through email at cpa.admin@pticom.com at least 5 days before the scheduled pre-proposal conference.

Proposals shall be sealed and marked on the cover package outside as follows: Proposal for the Removal of the Derelict vessels Lady Carolina and Miss Saipan, Project No. CPA-RFP-016-16.

Proposal submission must be received by the Office of the Executive Director, CPA at the Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport, 2nd floor, Arrival Building no later than 2:00 PM, July 8th, 2016.

The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any or all proposals for any reason, if in its sole opinion to do so, would be in CPA's best interest.

All proposals shall become the property of the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION STATEMENTS FOR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES

FRANCISCO C. ADA/SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
TSA RECAPITALIZATION PROGRAM
EXPLOSIVE DETECTION SYSTEMS REPLACEMENT

PROJECT NO. CPA-SA-006-16

The Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA) is soliciting statements of professional qualifications from interested Consultants for Architectural and Engineering (A/E) Design Services for the removal and replacement of the U.S. Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Explosive Detection System (EDS) equipment at the Francisco C. Ada/Saipan International Airport

The project is being funded by TSA. This project is in accordance with CPA's Procurement Rules and Regulations and procedures shall be in full compliance with Section 40-50-202 Architect-Engineer Design and Construction Management Services.

The Request for Qualification (RFQ) Package is available at CPA's Office of the Executive Director, 2nd floor of the arrival terminal. No fee is required for obtaining the proposal package. Questions regarding this request for RFQ statements must be submitted to Ms. Wendi L. Prater, CPA Executive Assistant, at (670) 237-6500, faxed to (670) 234-5962 and/or emailed to wprater@cpa.gov.mp by no later than Friday, June 3, 2016, 4:30 p.m., local time.

At a minimum, the statements of professional qualification will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. A/E design experience in similar scoped projects in the Pacific area and especially in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Island – (35 points);
2. A/E Design experience related to projects funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) – (25 points);
3. The general reputation of the Consultant in terms of quality of A/E work experience and services performed for AIP projects, and the Consultant's professional integrity and competence – (15 points);
4. Capacity to accomplish the work within the contract time - (15 points); and
5. Resumes of key personnel including current licenses and registrations of principal – (10 points)

Interested Consultants shall submit one (1) original, four (4) copies and one (1) electronic version in .pdf on a compact disc of their statements of professional qualifications no later than **4:30 p.m., Friday, JUNE 17, 2016.** Statements of qualification must be presented by a combination of both brochures and the use of current U.S. Government Standard Form 330.

Discussions may be conducted with at least three (3) of the firms regarding the agreement requirements and technical approach and selection made there from, in order of preference, of no less than three (3) firms determined to be the most highly qualified to perform the services required.

An agreement shall be negotiated with the highest qualified architect/engineer firm or company at a price determined to be fair and reasonable to the government. If a fair and reasonable price cannot be negotiated with the highest ranking qualified firm, then additional firms may be selected in order of competence and qualifications and negotiations continued until a fair and reasonable price is agreed upon.

All responses to this RFQ shall take into account any and all taxes that will be charged to the consultant awarded an agreement for this project, including excise tax.

The CPA reserves the right to reject any or all statements of professional qualification for any reason, if in its sole opinion to do so would be in its best interest.

Send information to:

Ms. MaryAnn Q. Lizama
Executive Director
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P.O. Box 501055
Saipan, MP 96950-1055

For the Commonwealth Ports Authority:

/s/ JOSE R. LIFOIFOI
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Date: May 13, 2016

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- Develop or analyze information to assess the current or future financial status of firms.
- Evaluate financial reporting systems, accounting or collection procedures, or investment activities and make recommendations for changes to procedures, operating systems, budgets, or other financial control functions.
- Establish procedures for custody or control of assets, records, loan collateral, or securities to ensure safekeeping.
- Plan, direct, and coordinate risk and insurance programs of establishments to control risks and losses.

Education/Experience:

- Bachelor's Degree in Finance, Business Administration or Accounting and 2 years' experience in Finance will be a plus. Salary will be discussed upon interview.

Interested candidates are requested to submit their resumes or pick up an employment application at
Champion Finance, 3rd floor, Marianas Business Plaza, Suite 316-B
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP NO.: RFP16-BECQ/DCRM-110

SUBMISSION: JULY 18, 2016 • TIME: 10:00 A.M.

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QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS RFP CAN BE MADE TO ERIN DERRINGTON BY PHONE (670) 664-8510 OR BY E-MAIL TO erinderrington@becq.gov.mp. NO LATER THAN THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, **JULY 07, 2016 CHAMORRO STANDARD TIME, UTC + 10 HOURS (E-MAIL IS PREFERRED).** RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SHALL BE SHARED WITH ALL PROSPECTIVE PROPOSERS.

THE GOVERNMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS AND TO WAIVE ANY IMPERFECTION IN A PROPOSAL IF IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS. ALL PROPOSALS SHALL BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE CNMI GOVERNMENT.

/S/ FRANK M. RABAULIMAN
ADMINISTRATOR OF BECQ

/S/ HERMAN S. SABLAN
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Location:
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Job Duties:
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Qualifications / Skills required:
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Location:
- Tinian Bulk Plant, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands

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LeBron, Cavs pushing for 'best words ever, Game 7'

The Finals

CLEVELAND (AP)—LeBron James has watched "The Godfather" trilogy over and over during these playoffs. The Oscar-winning films about crime, family, honor—and revenge—soothe and motivate him. He can't get enough.

But while he's not tired of the classic films, there's a final scene in the NBA Finals he has witnessed too many times, and if he can avoid it again Thursday night, there will be an offer he and the Cleveland Cavaliers can't refuse.

"Two of the best words ever," James said, "Game 7."

On the strength of a historic performance by James and Kyrie Irving in Game 5, the Cavs saved their season and are home with a second chance to even this unpredictable series against the defending champion Golden State Warriors, who will have forward Draymond Green back from his one-game suspension for bad behavior.

James has been in this spot before.

So have the Warriors.

It was on June 16 last year when they closed out a shorthanded Cavaliers squad in six games to win their first title since 1975. The Warriors, their families and friends partied into the early morning hours in Quicken Loans Arena, spraying champagne around their small locker room and adding another close-but-no-title entry to Cleveland's 52-year-old list of sports misery.

The Cavs, who are trying to become the first team in history to overcome a 3-1 deficit in the finals, can't bear the thought of Stephen Curry and Co. doing it to them a second time.

"No matter where it gets done, stopping them is the point," J.R. Smith said. "If they win it here, it's going to hurt. If they get it there, it's going to hurt."

To avoid any pain whatsoever, and pack this series up for a third trip to Northern California, the Cavs can't count on James and Irving to duplicate their effort in Game 5, when they scored 41 points apiece and had a hand in 97 as Cleveland won 112-97. It would help if they got something from Kevin Love, who scored just 2 points in the close-out game and added only three rebounds in 33 minutes.

Love's first finals—he missed last year's with a shoulder injury—have gone poorly. He missed Game 3 with a concussion, and his ineffectiveness in this series is driving discussion about the Cavs moving him this summer.

Following Wednesday's practice, Love spent several minutes sitting on the scorer's table and chatting with Cavs coach Tyronn Lue, who must weigh whether to stick with the struggling forward or start Richard Jefferson, who gave Cleveland a huge spark in its Game 3 win.

Whatever Lue decides, James knows how Love can help.

"Just need him to be aggressive," he said. "From the defensive side of the floor and the offensive side of the floor, go out and make an impact on the game, no matter if he's not scoring, no matter if at times he feels like he's not getting touches. We all just need to continue to be aggressive. He needs to be aggressive to help us try to send this game back to Golden State.

"I think he's looking forward to the challenge. I think he's looking forward to the moment. We definitely need him. He's too big of a piece to our puzzle."

Although the Cavs face an unnerving task trying to unseat the Warriors by beating them three times in a row, James is no stranger to the challenge.

In the 2013 finals, he twice helped Miami stave off elimination against San Antonio before the Heat beat the Spurs in seven games. James, who is 2-4 in the finals, has saved his best performances for close-out games, averaging 32.4 points, 11 rebounds and 6.6 assists in 15 of them. His teams are 8-7.

While others wilt in do-or-die games, James thrives.

Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James, left, shoots as Channing Frye watches during practice for Game 6 of the NBA basketball Finals, Wednesday, June 15, 2016, in Cleveland. The Cavaliers will play the Golden State Warriors Thursday night in Cleveland.

If these Finals go the distance, they'll match NBA's longest

CLEVELAND (AP)—If it seems like these NBA Finals have lasted awhile, there's a reason for that.

They have.

A variety of factors led the NBA to build some extra days of rest into the schedule for this year's title series between the Golden State Warriors and Cleveland Cavaliers. If a Game 7 is needed on Sunday night, this series would need 18 days to go from start to finish - and that would match the 1978 NBA Finals for the longest championship round in major U.S. sports history.

Even the 1989 World Series, which was interrupted by an earthquake for more than a week, didn't take that long.

"It's been beneficial for me for sure," Cavaliers guard Kyrie Irving said. "I hope my teammates can say the same. That four-and-a-half-hour, four-hour flight coming from the west coast and getting adjusted to the time, it can take a toll on your body. But I love the extra day. ... I know the NBA and I know the fans would like to see all of us at our best, and that extra day is beneficial."

So the Cavs aren't complaining.

But the Warriors aren't exactly thrilled.

"With our team it's 'strength in numbers,'" Golden State's Andre Iguodala said, with a nod to the team's motto that touts how deep the Warriors are compared to other clubs. "So I don't know if it goes against us being that the other team can get rest and they don't use as many bodies. The schedule is what it is and you just better be ready to play."

When Game 6 rolls around Thursday, it'll be the 15th day of the series - which is how long the last seven-game finals took in 2013, between Miami and San Antonio.

The only instance of teams having one day between games was for Games 3 and 4 on June 8 and June 10. Every other game in the series is being preceded by two off days.

Warriors coach Steve Kerr says he'd prefer playing every other day.

"I understand we're doing this to stretch it out and have more media sessions or whatever," Kerr said. "But I just think every other day is the way it should be."

This series is already assured of matching the longest in the NBA since the 1984 Finals, which went 17 days and had two long early breaks before going to an every-other-day format later in the series. The first 10 days of that series between the Boston Celtics and Los Angeles Lakers saw only three games played, while four games and three cross-country flights were squeezed into the final seven days.

The NBA went to the 2-3-2 system instead of the 2-2-1-1-1 for the finals a year later. It brought back 2-2-1-1-1 for the finals in 2014, and tinkered with that formula for the extra rest this year.

"You allow guys to get rest, you allow guys to get recovery, which in turn allows us to put a better game on the court," Cleveland's Richard Jefferson said. "It allows us to play at a higher level.

Green vows to be better for Warriors in Game 6

CLEVELAND (AP)—For all the criticism of Golden State's Draymond Green and his penchant for committing flagrant fouls during these playoffs, Wednesday may have brought the harshest words yet.

The critic: Green himself.

Saying he let the Warriors down and that he was a "terrible teammate," Green spoke on how it pained him to be suspended for Game 5 of the NBA Finals - and how he will make amends Thursday night in Game 6, when the Warriors visit the Cleveland Cavaliers and get a second shot at winning what would be their second straight championship.

"I owe to my teammates to come back and give all that I have, all that I can do to better this situation," Green said. "I have strong belief that if I play Game 5, we win. But I didn't because I put myself in a situation where I wasn't able to play."

Golden State leads the series 3-2, but now knows it will play the rest of the series without starting center Andrew Bogut because of a left knee injury. Green - who missed Game 5 because of how many flagrants he has accrued during the playoffs - will be called upon to play some center in Game 6, as he has plenty of times in this postseason already.

"Draymond is the spirit of what we do," said Warriors guard Stephen Curry, the NBA's two-time reigning MVP. "You see it out on the floor."

This series is back in Cleveland largely because LeBron James and Kyrie Irving could not be stopped in Game 5, when the Warriors' best defender was watching the Cavaliers' star duo score 41 points apiece from a suite at the adjacent baseball stadium that the Oakland Athletics call home. Green alone could not have stopped their onslaught, but it surely stands to reason that life would have been more difficult for Cleveland if he was in uniform.

With Green watching, the A's won by nine.

Without Green playing, the Warriors lost by 15. He's already spoken to his teammates about his mistakes, and made clear that watching Game 5 from next door left him hurting.

"Everybody's helped with Draymond being on the floor," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "So that will be nice to have him back. We missed him the other night. We were disappointed in our performance without him. We thought we could still get it done, but we didn't. So now it's time to recharge the batteries and get ready."

The straw that got Green suspended was when he took a swipe at James' groin area in Game 4. But when asked what he expected when he sees Green in Game 6, James showed he's only focused on bigger pictures and no mano-a-mano battle.

"My only job is to get this win, man," James said.

Suzuki passes Rose's hits total in Marlins loss to Padres

SAN DIEGO (AP)—With two hits for the Marlins on Wednesday in Miami's 6-3 loss to the San Diego Padres on Wednesday, Ichiro Suzuki raised his career total in the Japanese and North American major leagues to 4,257, passing Pete Rose's record Major League Baseball total.

Suzuki had 1,278 hits for Orix in Japan's Pacific League (1992-00) and has 2,979 with Seattle, the New York Yankees and Marlins. His first hit Wednesday was on a dribbler in the first. His second was a double into the right-field corner in the ninth.

Braves 9, Reds 8, 13 innings

In Atlanta, Freddie Freeman hit for the cycle and Chase d'Arnaud had a bases-loaded single in the 13th inning to cap a three-run rally.

The Reds took an 8-6 lead in the 13th on Jose Peraza's bases-loaded walk with two outs and Joey Votto's run-scoring single off Alexi Ogando (2-1), the Braves' ninth pitcher.

Dodgers 3, Diamondbacks 2

In Phoenix, Clayton Kershaw (10-1) allowed two runs and five hits in 7 1/3 innings, striking out 11 and walking one. He has 133 strikeouts and seven walks this season.

Scott Van Slyke hit his first home run this season, a three-run drive in the sixth against Patrick Corbin (3-6) that overcame a second-inning homer by Rickie Weeks Jr.

Nationals 5, Cubs 4, 12 innings

In Washington, Jayson Werth singled in the winning run with two outs in the 12th inning. Facing Adam Warren, Werth hit a liner off the wall in center field to score Michael Taylor, who hit an RBI single against Trevor Cahill (0-2).

Royals 9, Indians 4

In Kansas City, Salvador Perez homered for the second straight night and Ian Kennedy kept Cleveland quiet while Kansas City finished of a three-game sweep.

Perez hit a three-run shot during a go-ahead fifth inning against Corey Kluber .

AP

Miami Marlins' Ichiro Suzuki takes a practice swing before batting during the ninth inning of a baseball game against the San Diego Padres Wednesday, June 15, 2016, in San Diego.

White Sox 5, Tigers 3

In Chicago, Chris Sale allowed three runs in seven innings to become the first 11-game winner in the majors.

Sale (11-2) was 1-2 with a 6.75 ERA in his last four starts after beginning the season by winning his first nine.

Rays 3, Mariners 2, 13 innings

In St. Petersburg, Mike Montgomery walked Logan Morrison with the bases loaded in the 13th inning to bring in the winning run.

Logan Forsythe tripled with one out and scored the winning run after Montgomery hit pinch-hitter Tim Beckham.

Rockies 6, Yankees 3

In Denver, Nolan Arenado tied for the major league lead with his 20th homer as Colorado completed a two-game sweep and extended New York's losing streak to four.

Giants 10, Brewers 1

In San Francisco, Johnny Cueto (10-1) won his seventh consecutive decision, striking out nine in seven innings, as San Francisco (41-26) won its fifth straight and moved a season-high 15 games over .500.

Mets 11, Pirates 2

In New York, Noah Syndergaard (7-2) struck out 11, gave up five hits and took a shutout into the ninth. Wilmer Flores homered and drove in four runs, and New York piled up a season-high 19 hits.

Rangers 7, Athletics 5

In Oakland, Robinson Chirinos and Rougned Odor both homered twice and Texas rallied from a five-run deficit.

The A's lost for the ninth time in 11 games.

Blue Jays 7, Phillies 2

In Philadelphia, Marco Estrada (5-2) allowed two runs and four hits, striking out five in 6 2/3 innings, and Edwin Encarnacion and Josh Donaldson hit solo homers.

Cody Asche had a homer, two doubles and drove in both runs for the Phillies, who have lost six of seven and 19 of 25.

Red Sox 6, Orioles 4

In Boston, Hanley Ramirez hit his first homer since May 10 and knuckleballer Steven Wright, backed by a five-run third, allowed three runs and six hits in 7 1/3 innings.

Craig Kimbrel got three outs for his 15th save.

Astros 4, Cardinals 1

In St. Louis, George Springer hit a go-ahead, two-run homer off Kevin Siegrist (4-2) in the eighth, and Houston completed a two-game sweep. The Astros are 15-7 since moving Springer to the leadoff spot ahead of Jose Altuve.

Angels 10, Twins 2

In Anaheim, C.J. Cron and Jett Bandy drove in three runs apiece and Hector Santiago (4-4) pitched six strong innings for Los Angeles.

Mickelson keeps chasing elusive US Open

OAKMONT, Pa. (AP)—One year before Jordan Spieth was born, Phil Mickelson made his professional debut with a 68 in the 1992 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach and was two shots out of the lead. The next day, he shot 81 and missed the cut.

All these years later, Mickelson is still chasing the one major he thought he would have won by now.

He turns 46 on Thursday when the U.S. Open returns to Oakmont for the ninth time, and that only adds to the urgency. No one that old has ever won the U.S. Open. Only three players that old have won a major—Julius Boros, Jack Nicklaus and Old Tom Morris.

But the only time Mickelson showed his age is when he flew home to San Diego for the eighth-grade graduation of daughter Sophia.

"It's just important for me to be there for that stuff," Mickelson said Wednesday. "At 46 years old now, come tomorrow, those are the difference that I'll have, where a lot of the young guys in their 20s don't really have to think about it yet. But it's also brought me some of the greatest joy in my life."

The U.S. Open? Not so much.

His six runner-up finishes are a record. His double bogey on the 72nd hole at Winged Foot is the one moment that still eats at him. And it's hard for him to ignore the significance of winning a U.S. Open, which is all that keeps him from the career Grand Slam.

"I could BS you and tell you I don't think about it," he said. "No, I think about it all the time. This is the tournament I want to win the most to complete the four majors. There's no question. I have to put that out of my head and try to execute and be patient and not think about results.

"You start thinking about results, you'll never play your best golf."

Oakmont is enough to grab everyone's attention. Reputed to be the toughest golf course in America, it has all the traditional elements required for the major billed as the toughest test in golf - tight fairways, thick rough, punishing bunkers, fast greens.

The only hope was from the weather, with thunderstorms in the forecast for the first few days.

"Rain or no rain on this golf course, it's still a very, very hard test of golf," Rory McIlroy said.

Adam Scott showed up at Oakmont a week ago to prepare and played in firm, fast conditions. It rained that night, and he returned for a practice round with McIlroy and found a more forgiving course.

"Both of us probably made five or six birdies each that day," Scott said.

If anything makes Mickelson feel relaxed going into this U.S. Open, it might be what has transpired off the golf course. He was named in a federal complaint that accused Las Vegas gambler Billy Walters and a former board member of Dean Foods Co. of making tens of millions of dollars in illicit stock trades.

The government claimed Mickelson only benefited from the misdeeds of others and did not charge him. He agreed to repay the $931,000 he made in a single trade of Dean Foods in the summer of 2012.

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Brooks serving US anchor heading into Copa quarterfinal

SEATTLE (AP)—Before the start of the Copa America, John Brooks likely was best known for coming off the United States bench to score the winning goal against Ghana in the 2014 World Cup.

Two years later, Brooks seems set on becoming known more as a regular starting central defender for the Americans.

The U.S. will play in the Copa America quarterfinals on Thursday night against Ecuador largely because Brooks and the rest of his defense have been superb in the last two games, providing solidity to a position that's been in flux for years.

Brooks had a knee injury that caused him to miss World Cup qualifiers against Guatemala in March but he has started the past six games, the last four paired with Geoff Cameron. Yet even with that recent run of stability in the center of the American defense, the U.S. has used 15 different center back combinations in its last 30 games.

"I think John over the last two or three years had his ups and downs, little roller coasters like youngsters in general have, but he stayed very determined, very committed to what he is doing. ... I think he's just now realizing the sky is the limit for him," U.S. coach Jurgen Klinsmann said. "He's getting calmer. He's becoming more mature communicating with the whole back line. As a center back you need to keep a high level of aggressiveness because you are there to intimidate those strikers. So he does all those little things better and better. Doesn't mean he is perfect, but he is really maturing his game and it's fun for us coaches to watch."

AP

Paraguay's Antonio Sanabria (9) and United States' John Brooks (6) battle for the ball during the first half of a Copa America Group A soccer match Saturday, June 11, 2016, in Philadelphia.

The U.S. and Ecuador met less than a month ago in a pre-Copa America warmup match in Frisco, Texas, a match that was decided on Darlington Nagbe's late goal for a 1-0 U.S. victory, although Ecuador was without some of its top players.

Ecuador last reached the semifinals in 1993, when it was the host country. Meanwhile, The U.S. will be trying to reach the semifinals of the Copa America for the second time in its four appearances and do so in soccer-mad Seattle in front of what should be an almost entirely American crowd.

"I think tomorrow has the potential to be one of the best American atmospheres we've seen," U.S. midfielder Michael Bradley said.

Part of the reason the United States not only made it out of the difficult Group A but with the top spot was because of defense that allowed only one goal during the run of play. Both of the goals allowed by the U.S. came in the first half of the opener against Colombia, and one from the penalty spot.

The last time the U.S. posted three straight shutouts came in 2013 when the Americans beat Panama (2-0) and Honduras (1-0) in World Cup qualifying and added a win over Guatemala (6-0) in a friendly. The U.S. hasn't posted three straight clean sheets in competitive matches since the 2011 Gold Cup.

And Brooks was at the center of these recent defensive performances, especially when his sliding tackle against Paraguay broke up a 3-on-1 break early in the match. He was coming off a season in which he was a consistent starter for Hertha Berlin in the German Bundesliga.

Broncos remain positive in face of endless drama

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. (AP)—The Super Bowl champion Denver Broncos will break for summer vacation with plenty of questions still unanswered, including who will be under center when they return and whether Aqib Talib will be able to play. The biggest unknown is whether superstar Von Miller will sign a long-term deal.

Miller is hoping to do that by the July 15 deadline after his camp rejected the team's six-year offer because only $38.5 million was guaranteed.

Eagles defensive lineman Fletcher Cox set the standard this week with a six-year extension that includes $63 million in guarantees, the largest pledge to a non-quarterback in NFL history. Of that amount, $27 million is "virtually" guaranteed as that money kicks in during subsequent years when the salary cap hit would make cutting him cost-prohibitive.

Cox's deal could serve as a blueprint or a jump-start for Miller's negotiations.

Miller sat out the Broncos' entire offseason program, which wraps up Thursday with a morning lift and a team photo. He made only two appearances with his teammates, one to visit the White House and the other to pick up his championship ring.

At that ring ceremony, Hall of Famer Shannon Sharpe took a serving tray and turned it into a collection plate, imploring everybody to pitch in and help GM John Elway sign Miller. The tongue-in-cheek gesture actually netted some greenbacks.

If the sides don't reach a compromise by mid-July, Miller would have to play on the $14.129 million exclusive franchise tender for 2016 unless he decides to sit out the season in a first step toward a probable departure in 2017.

Cornerback Chris Harris Jr. said he's confident Miller will be back when training camp begins.

"No, I don't have any worries. I don't think anybody in there does," Harris said as he left team headquarters Wednesday. "We think everything will get sorted out."

Miller made an appearance on Chelsea Handler's new show on Netflix and said he's still hoping for a deal to get done: "The franchise tag, it's a one-year deal. I would like a little bit more stability. I want to be a Bronco forever. I just want the feeling to be the same from the Broncos."

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and then had another straight set victory against the sixth-ranked Janvhi Clark, also of Australia, yesterday, 6-2, 6-0 to set up a Final Four showdown opposite Madison Bishop.

Bishop, the No. 5 seed in the main draw and another Land Down Under bet, moved into the semis after eliminating Japan's Mayu Tezuka, 6-2, 6-2, and Rengiiil, 6-1, 7-6 (2), in the lower bracket matches.

At the upper half of the main draw, it will be No. 1 seed Lisa Mays of Australia against her compatriot Sheila Cliffe. Mays barged into the semis after ousting Japan's Otoha Aoki, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5, and Singapore's Ashley Yim, 7-5, 6-2, while Cliffe joined the former to the Final Four after knocking out the Solomon Islands' Georjemah Row, 6-2, 6-1, and fellow Australian Holly Stewart, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.

The Final Four in the singles division will be played today.

In the doubles, the second-ranked Lee and Rengiil drew a bye in the opening round and will be paired against Stewart and Ivy McLean in the quarterfinals, which will also start today.

Joining Lee and Rengiil in the Round of 8 were the CNMI's Isabel Heras and Tania Tan, who defeated Australia's Luciana Kunkel and Mia Katharina Savio yesterday, 7-6 (4), 6-3. The two Commonwealth bets will next face the third-seeded Bishop and Clark at upper half of the bracket.

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of Guam, 6-3, 6-4.

Meanwhile, the Commonwealth swept the Final Four berths in the girls U14 singles and got two semis tickets each in the boys U12 and U16 divisions.

Malika Miyawaki, Asia Raulerson, Conatsu Kaga, and Maria Gregoire dispatched their respective quarterfinals foe to assure the CNMI the championship in the girls U14 singles. Miyawaki dominated FSM's Tatiana Panuelo, 6-0, 6-1, to arrange a semis tiff against Conatsu, who also took only two sets to eliminate another FSM bet Anne Skilling, 6-1, 6-1. Gregoire and Raulerson will duke it out in the other semis game today after ousting FSM's Isabel Garcia, 6-1, 6-2, and Guam's Jocelyn Tenai, 6-2, 6-0, respectively.

In the boys U12 singles, the CNMI was left with only semis slots as teammates collided in the quarterfinal round with Seung Jin Paik defeating Rintaro Miyawaki, 6-0, 6-0, and Ji Min Woo topping Richard Steele, 6-1, 6-0. Fortunately, Paik and Woo will part ways in the semis with the former facing No. 1 seed Andrew Leng of Guam and the latter meeting FSM's Freddy Jerson.

Michael Ren and Vincent Tudela also avoided an all-CNMI semis collision in the boys U16 singles. Tudela won over Palau's Samuel Nillasca, 6-4, 6-2, at the upper bracket quarterfinals and will challenge the top-ranked Camden Camacho of Guam in the semis. Camacho downed compatriot James Hourican, 6-2, 6-1. At the lower half of the draw, Ren outclassed fellow CNMI player Steven Goodwin, 6-4, 6-1, to set up a semis match against FSM's Joab William, a 6-2, 6-4 winner versus compatriot Perilo Andre.

In the boys U14 singles, Robbie Schorr kept his lead in the round-robin, seven-player field after moving up to a 4-0 record following his 6-0, 6-0 win over Sam Ryu. Ken Song is in close second with his 4-1 mark after a 6-4, 6-0 triumph against Sean Lee, while Tony Kim is ranked third (3-1) following a 6-0, 6-0 victory over Eugene Park.

In the doubles, the pairs of Tony Kim and Schorr and Sean Lee and Song moved a win away from clinching the U14 division crown. The two pairs hold similar 2-0 record and will meet today to decide the winner of the doubles title.

The girls U14 doubles championship will also be contested between two CNMI duos as Conatsu and Miyawaki and Raulerson and Gregoire improved their records to 2-0 after winning over Garcia and Skilling, 6-2, 6-2, and Panuelo and Tenai, 6-0, 6-3, respectively.

In the boys U16, Tudela and Ren are in good position to hand the host country its third doubles crown after beating Hourican and Nillasca in the semis, 6-0, 6-2. The two CNMI bets will be paired against Guam's Camacho and Kian Malakooti, who eliminated FSM's Sterkis Abragam and Joab William, 6-4, 6-2.

In the boys U12 doubles, Woo and Paik teamed up in whipping Guam's Aarman Sachdev and Dakota Gibson, 6-0, 6-0, to move into the finals against Leng and Thomas Ysrael, a 6-3, 6-2 winner over Palau's Ton Lomisang Perez and Jonah Ziegler.

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Barcinas started in the fourth canto, scoring 6 of MJD's last 10 points to secure the title win. Lizama knocked in the 4 other points for MJD.

Duenas paced MJD with his 26 points, while Schmidt and Lizama chipped in 24 and 18, respectively. Barcinas was just a point shy of earning double figures.

Rabauliman led DFEMS' losing cause, but was held to only a bucket in the fourth canto. Josh Sablan added 14, but had his last basket early in the third, making DFEMS' 35th and 36th point before the team was limited to 2 points in the next four minutes and change, allowing MJD to pull away further for the easy title win.

MJD 86 — Duenas 26, Schmidt 24, Lizama 18, Barcinas 9, Usi 3, Bautista 2, De Guzman 2.

DFEMS 73 — Rabauliman 18, Sablan 14, Santos 11, Pua 11, Iginoef 7, Lisua 7, Cruz 3, Manglona 2.

Scoring by quarters: 22-17, 44-31, 69-56, 86-73.

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19, Rabago 6, De La Torre 4, J. Ong 4, Raho 4, Regis 2, Angeles 2, Chan 2.

Fiesta 42 —Matsutaro 15, Quizon 15, Macoto 6, Rivera 3, Maliwanag 3.

Scoring by halves: 22-17, 45-42.

Third Game

Shirley's 64 — Dela Rosa 20, Pamintuan 13, Catungal 12, Nicdao 7, Palma 7, Pollisco 4, Drilon 2.

Lower Base 47 — Jinang 12, Bazinero 9, Omar 7, Salazar 6, Echavez 4, J. Benavente 3, Camu 2, Fujihira 2, Garcia 2.

Scoring by halves: 31-8, 64-47.

3 pairs crowned champions in badminton tourney

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Baby Banadera receives a service, while teammate Celso Agui looks on during their game against Roxe Lazaro and Ariel Mariano 2016 Tan Holdings Mixed Doubles and 45+ BC Badminton Tournament at the TSL Sports Complex.

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Three teams made it to the champions circle in the 2016 Tan Holdings Mixed Doubles and 45+ BC Badminton Tournament after their playoff games were completed over the weekend at the TSL Sports Complex.

Kim Haram and Kim Min Seo were the first ones to be crowned champions after sweeping Tae Ho Kim and Vilma Reyes in the mixed doubles C finals, 21-11, 21-13. Seo and Haram advanced to the finals after a similar two-game victory against Jun and Baby Banadera in the semis, 21-9, 21-16, while Reyes and Tae Ho took the long route to the finals following a tough 21-7, 15-21, 22-20 triumph over A.J. Ortega and Merlie Savellano in the other semis tiff.

In the mixed doubles AB finals, Deether Edralin and Rowena Sison also needed three games before downing Ferdie Arago and Windy Fernandez, 15-21, 21-16, 21-16. The eventual champions moved into the title match after slipping past Jen Savellano and Joel Ortega in the semis, 14-21, 21-7, 22-20, while Arago and Fernandez swept Rodwealth Espana and Lanie Bartolome in the other Final Four pairing, 21-8, 23-21.

In the mixed doubles BC 45+ division, Celso Agui and Baby Banadera eased their way to the title victory after winning via walkover against Elna Curate and Tae Ho Kim. Agui and Banadera took the first finals seat following a 16-21, 22-20, 21-14 triumph over Roger Valles and Merlie Savellano, while Tae Ho Kim and Curate dominated Roxe Lazaro and Ariel Mariano, 21-15, 21-14, in the other semis game.

Meanwhile, in the mixed doubles B, it will be the pair of Oh Im Bog and Windy Fernandez versus the tandem of Espana and Ito. The two finalists swept their semis foes to arrange their title showdown with Oh and Windy topping Patrick Fernandez and Jaja Bocago, 21-16, 21-16, and Espana and Ito beating Gary Bandoja and Cheng Saturno, 21-17, 22-20. Patrick and Bocago settled for the third place honors after outlasting Bandoja and Saturno, 21-18, 20-22, 21-9,

In the mixed doubles, Edralin and Jen Savellano booked the first finals ticket after sweeping Nathan Guerrero and Nicola Malasarte, 21-8, 21-12, and the first pair will face siblings Janelle and Jordan Pangilinan. The Pangilinans won over Glenn Bluutjens and Hannah Choi in the other semis duel last weekend, 21-14, 21-19. Guerrero and Malasarte finished third after a win via default against Choi and Bluutjens.

In the mixed doubles BC, husband and wife Patrick and Windy Fernandez forged a title tiff against Oh and Reyes after edging Chris Hilario and Merlie Savellano, 13-21, 21-3, 21-13, in the second Final Four pairing in the division last week, In the first semis game, Oh and Reyes routed Guerrero and Miles Rodriguez, 21-11, 21-8.

The remaining finals matches will be played this weekend along with the consolation games in the other divisions.

Shirley's, Kanoa share early lead

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Kanoa Resort and Shirley's Coffee Shop are in a tie for the early lead in the 2016 Tan Holdings Inter-Company Basketball League following another blowout wins against separate opponents last Friday at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

Kanoa, which came from a whopping 85-point win victory over Lower Base Warriors in its debut, 125-40, this time eased past Pacific Oriental, Inc. in the curtain raiser, 87-58, to earn a 2-0 record—the same mark Shirley's holds after a similar double-digit triumph against Lower Base, 64-47, in the second match.

Shirley's got off to a rousing start against Lower Base, taking a 31-8 lead in the first half to set up another win via rout.

Aaron Pamintuan led Shirley's in the first half, as he outgunned the entire Lower Base crew after scoring 13 points. Erick Dela Rosa and Angel Catungal then took over from Pamintuan in the second half to keep Shirley's wide distance.

In the first game, Kanoa also leaned on three players—Douglas Schmidt and Matt and Ernest Duenas—to clobber POI. Schmidt finished with a game-high 29 points, while Matt and Ernest chipped in 22 and 20, respectively.

Kanoa built a 48-20 advantage in the first half, which Ernest capped with his 9 straight points, while Schmidt and Matt alternately hit baskets for their team in earlier part of the game. Schmidt then knocked in three consecutive triples after Matt opened the second half with a deuce to completely dominate POI.

In the third game, Mambas capitalized on a depleted Fiesta crew to eke out a 45-42 victory.

Djay Ong had 19 points for Mambas, which recovered from a 36-55 debut loss to Shirley's.

Ong led Mambas to the close win after scoring 11 straight markers midway in the second half and the team's last two field goals.

First Game

Kanoa 87 — Schmidt 29, M. Duenas 22, E. Duenas 20, Pablo 9, Agulto 2, Moses 2.

POI 58 — Santos 19, Tenepere 12, Arago 12, Villaluna 6, Yu 6, Mejia 3.

Scoring by halves: 48-20, 87-58.

Second Game

Mambas 45 — D. Ong

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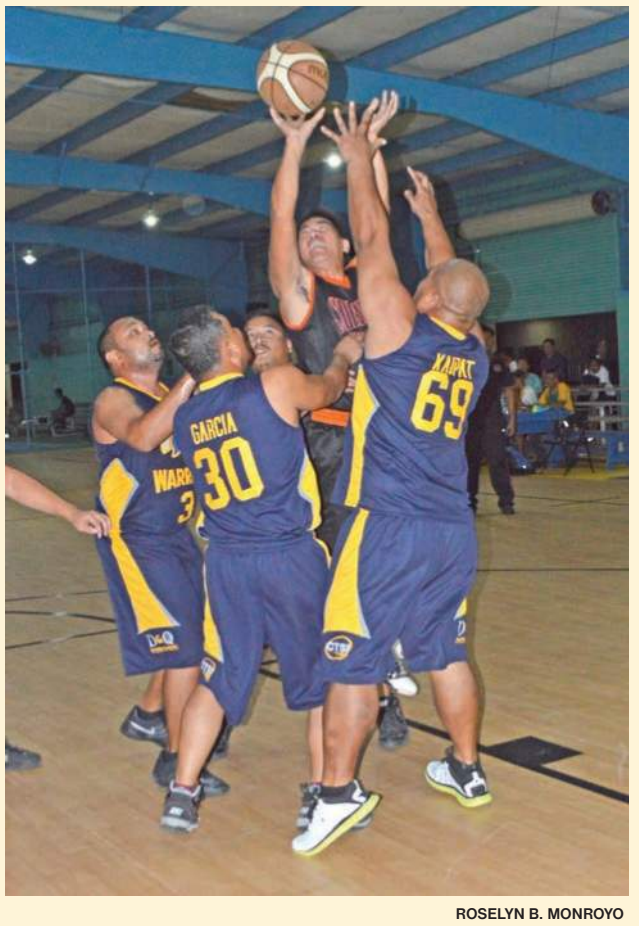

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Shirley's Coffee Shop's Ariel Drilon pulls up for a jumper against a phalanx of Lower Base Warriors defenders during the second game in the Tan Holdings league last Friday at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

4 SSC swimmers attend camp in Palau

Saipan Swim Club's Jinnosuke Suzuki, Dominic Zedde, RJ Pierce, and Akira Kadokura participated in a 10-day training camp hosted by Palau Swim Team early this month.

The camp, which ran from June 3 to 13, featured daily workouts focusing on stroke work, mental training, race-based workouts, and video analysis, according to Jerry Zedde, who accompanied the SSC swimmers to Palau. The workouts were divided into two parts with the morning and evening sessions at the 25-meter Palau National Swimming Pool in Meyuns each lasting for two hours.

Palau swimming national coach Billy Brown conducted the training camp and participants competed in the Palau Invitational Swim Meet a day before the event concluded. The visiting SSC swimmers also joined the 11th Annual Palau Open Water Race held in the waters of Palau Pacific Resort in Koror. Suzuki raced ihn the 5K course of the open water swim and finished third overall out of the 18 participants, while Pierce ruled the 3K event and was joined in the Top 3 by Kadokura and Dominic Zedde.

"The training camp week closed out with one of a kind open water adventure swims through a UNESCO World Heritage site. Two adventure swims of 4K and 2K were held in the waters off the famous Rock Islands, with a remote beach BBQ lunch in between hosted by the Palau Swimming Association," Jerry Zedde said in an email sent to *Saipan Tribune*.

"The Saipan Swim Club would like to thank the Palau National Swim Team and coach Billy Brown, the Palau Swim Association, the host families and all the volunteers who made the training camp and events possible," he added. ***(Saipan Tribune)***

PALAU SWIMMING ASSOCIATION
Saipan Swim Club swimmers are joined by Palau national team coach Billy Brown for a group photo during the awards ceremony for the 2016 Palau Invitational Swim Meet held last Saturday in Koror.

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MJD dominates DFEMS in finale

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MJD Enterprises clinched the championship in the 2016 IT&E Inter-Government/Business Basketball League after outclassing Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services in the finals, 86-73, last Wednesday at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

MJD led right from the start behind the early explosion of Douglas Schmidt and foiled Fire's repeated comeback bids with Matt Duenas, Jack Lizama, and Dar Barcinas joining forces to keep the team's safe distance until the end.

Schmidt scored MJD's first 6 points and went on to finish the first quarter with 14 markers to lift his team to a 22-17 advantage. The lead increased to twin digits at halftime, 44-31, as Duenas began hitting his mark and Jack Lizama also found his target.

The advantage then ballooned to as high as 22 points midway in the third, as DFEMS was stuck to 38 points. At this point, the quartet of Duenas, Schmidt, Lizama, and Barcinas worked together to lead the breakaway before DFEMS made a little headway, bringing the lead down to 13 three times. The last time was courtesy of Marvin Rabauliman's buzzer-beating floater in the third canto, 56-69.

However, MJD quickly regained the sizeable lead early in the fourth canto with Barcinas anchoring a short 7-0 spurt. Barcinas opened the third with a triple and then made a layup a few seconds after feeding Duenas for a fastbreak basket. Duenas went on to finish what

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ROSELYN B. MONROYO
MJD Enterprises' Dan Barcinas floats for a one-hander after eluding the defense of a DFEMS player during the third quarter of their title game in the inter-government/business caging last Wednesday night at the Gilbert C. Ada Gymnasium.

Lee still in contention in ITF Juniors event

OCEANIA TENNIS FEDERATION
Carol Lee gestures after making it to the semis of the singles event in the Open Junior BNP PARIBAS de Nouvelle-Caledonie in Noumea, New Caledonia, yesterday.

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The CNMI's Carol Lee is still in the hunt for both the singles and doubles championships in the Open Junior BNP PARIBAS de Nouvelle-Caledonie in Noumea, New Caledonia.

She is in the semifinals of the girls U18 singles and in the quarterfinals of the doubles contest with Palau's Ayana Rengiil.

The 14-year-old Lee, who is playing in the ITF Juniors ranking event as part of the Pacific Oceania Touring Team, made it to the Final Four of the singles event after winning her first two matches at the lower half of the draw. She first swept Australia's Chiara Di Tommaso last Wednesday, 6-1, 6-1,

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2 finals seats, 8 semis berths for CNMI

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The CNMI's Maria Gregoire, left, and Asia Raulerson exchange high-fives after scoring a point against the Federated States of Micronesia's Tatiana Panuelo and Guam's Jocelyn Tenai during their girls U14 doubles match in the 2016 North Pacific Regional Championships yesterday at the Kanoa Resort courts.

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The CNMI Junior National Team gained took two finals seats and eight semis slots in the 2016 North Pacific Regional Championships.

The unranked Grace Choi continued to step up in absence of the host's top girls U16 singles players as she made it to the finals of the division, while Coume Kaga also advanced to the title match in the girls U12 singles.

Choi, who was unbeaten in pool play, stretched her streak to four with a 6-0, 6-2 semis win over Guam's Anika Sachdev at the Pacific Islands Club courts yesterday. The CNMI bet will play in the finals tomorrow opposite No. 1 seed Sunshine Palik of the Federated States of Micronesia. Choi has the psychological edge over Palik in the weekend's finale as the formed pulled off an upset over the latter in their Group A elimination match, 6-2, 6-4. Palik foiled an all-CNMI finals when she slipped past Mimi Sakano in the other semis tiff yesterday, 6-4, 6-7 (2), 6-1.

In the girls U12 singles finals, the top-ranked Kaga will be up against the fourth-seeded Ridianne Wolphagen of FSM. Kaga won a family affair in the first semis game after sweeping fellow CNMI bet Marielle Lopez, 6-0, 6-1, while Wolphagen stunned the second-ranked Kaia Malikooti

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